

Dear Co Chairs Dembrow and Power and members of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction:

I am writing to urge passage of HB 2020. An independent study shows that HB 2020 will benefit the economy by adding income across tax brackets. Hundreds of millions of dollars per year in proceeds from Clean Energy Jobs will be reinvested in clean energy solutions: good paying jobs, putting Oregonians to work in the solar power industry, improving energy efficiency in homes and businesses, building affordable housing near transit, as well as providing more transit options.

It is imperative that we act now. Devastating wild fires are now an annual occurrence. Wasco County lost half of its wheat crop last year due to wild fires. 70% of Oregon experienced severe drought in 2018. Each passing year of inaction only guarantees that things will get worse...and at a much faster rate than scientists initially projected.

I'm a parent with two grown children. Not only do I worry about the world we are leaving them, but I wonder now whether they should children of their own. I never imagined I'd see the day when I thought it might be best if I did not become a grandparent.

We must act now and pass HB 2020.

Sincerely,

Pete Perry  
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