

I fully support a very strong HB 2020. Our backs are against the wall on taking effective and swift action on the serious and complex issue of climate change. Decades of delayed action have severely limited our options. I feel you have completed 'due diligence' on this bill and I do not view it as extreme or radical but as appropriate considering the consequences. The bill will not be perfect but it can always be modified in the future to deal with the inevitable unintended consequences.

The reports I have seen indicate reasonable impacts to price of fuel and power rates while also showing positive response by state economy and jobs production.

I do not feel exemptions are in order at this late stage but if deemed necessary the entities should be required to provide an alternate contribution moving the entity forward in anticipation of national efforts at GHGE reduction.

The bill needs high enough pricing to make it VERY effective in achieving strong interim goals. The impacts and benefits must be distributed equally among all citizens.

I do not feel the general population is adequately informed to fully appreciate the complexities of this issue and I place the blame for this squarely on the shoulders of my elected official. Economic arguments, to me, are moot and we are arguing our own personal values. These expressed values will define us as a state and will be our legacy.

Sincerely,

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