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TO: JOINT COMMITTEE ON CARBON TAX
FROM: PHILIP AND ARLENE SADLIER
SUBJECT: HB 2020

We, Philip and Arlene Sadlier, PO Box 1298, Jacksonville, OR 97530, 541 772 3520, are residents of Medford, OR.

We are strongly opposed to HB 2020 as it will have immediate and longterm impacts on our ability to live a comfortable life. As we are retired, we have little opportunity to increase our income so we must live within our means.

HB 2020 states it will be punitive with its punishing tax increases. It will affect us immediately as companies pass through their costs. Oregon's elected representatives have a fiduciary responsibility to assist Oregon residents as they strive to maintain their quality of life, not punish them.

We understand our climate is always changing. Even if Oregon, already a low carbon producer, was able to totally eliminate carbon releases it would have almost no effect on the world's climate. HB 2020 would not accomplish the elimination of carbon releases, but it would impair Oregon's ability to compete nationally and internationally.

We want to live in Oregon not just exist. It is our intent as taxpayers to support policies which are beneficial to Oregon and its citizens. HB 2020 is a harsh and punitive measure which will directly impact Oregon's ability to provide quality of life. As middle class taxpaying residents we strongly oppose this bill.

Philip Sadlier Arlene Sadlier