

Dear Co-chairs Dembrow and Power and members of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction,

My name is Josephine Bailey, I am 10 years old, and I am writing to say that I am in full support of HB 2020. I have full confidence that this bill has much potential and it would improve my beautiful home state of Oregon. Our world today faces many threats but in my opinion climate change is the one that needs the most attentiveness. Our planet Earth won't be the land of lush forestry and vast clean oceans that it was 200 years ago or that it is today if we put our heads down and pretend that climate change is not really upon us.

Another reason that this clean energy bill would be an improvement for Oregon is that the money that our highest polluters would pay would help and fund underfunded communities and neighborhoods. This well spent money would help, for instance, communities of color that almost always get underrepresented and don't get enough support and money.

Communities HB 2020 would improve are included on the following list: Rural, Communities of Color, Low Income and Tribal. The people in Oregon who fall under one of these 4 classifications would be boosted up and I'm all for giving them that boost. The last reason that HB 2020 would help Oregon thrive is that it would provide many, many jobs for Oregonians. People who live in Oregon, many of whom are unemployed and don't get paid, would have a chance to maybe get jobs and be well paid.

Sincerely,
Josephine Bailey
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