

To co-chairs and members of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction,

My name is Marion Moore. I have lived in Ashland, OR for 15 years. For the last few summers I have been living through unhealthy smoky conditions in the summer. To me this is a direct result of climate change, caused by greenhouse gas emissions. I believe very strongly that humanity MUST reduce GHG emissions with quick, dramatic actions. Oregon must do its part.

HB 2020 is a reasonable first step for Oregon. It is a little late; I would like to have seen this, or similar, bills passed a few years earlier. It is only REASONABLE in its approach to limiting GHG emissions. A stronger bill would be better; stronger simply means forcing emission reductions sooner. I am also very impressed with the focus on equity in this bill: improving economic conditions for tribes, communities with large numbers of People Of Color, low income and rural communities, is important.

I ask of you that you keep HB 2020 as strong as it is now. Avoid weakening the bill. Strengthen it if you can!

Best regards,
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