

Dear Co-chairs Dembrow and Power;

Members of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction:

It is very important to me as a citizen of Oregon, and as a pediatrician here for 40 years, that you pass HB 2020, the Clean Energy Jobs bill. A 2019 independent economic study presented to you showed HB 2020 would benefit our economy by adding to household income across ALL tax brackets. But the most would go to low-income households, as it would create thousands of good-paying jobs. Equally important, the transition to cleaner energy would lower costs for people and businesses.

HB 2020 guarantees 2 MILLION metric tons of pollution would be reduced every year-- like taking 425,000 cars off the road. Our timeline to save the planet is incredibly short: scientists agree we have ~11 years to drastically reduce emissions to avoid the most catastrophic impacts of climate change.

The over \$200,000,000 per year in proceeds from Clean Energy jobs would be reinvested in clean energy solutions -- putting Oregonians to work. This would be GOOD work: making clean power, like solar, available to more people; improving energy efficiency in homes and businesses--thus saving citizens' money; building affordable housing near transit; and investing in more transportation options.

I write you as a person of faith. We members at Central Lutheran Church in Portland-- as people of faith-- believe deeply that our beloved Planet Earth is a gift from God that we are called to care for and protect.

Oregon MUST take a national leadership role to move Clean Energy and Climate Justice legislation forward --on a fast track, and pass HB 2020 this year!

Thank you,



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