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Cc: <u>Sen Taylor</u>; <u>Rep Power</u>

Subject: Pass HB 2020

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

My name is Jenna Garmon and I live in Portland. *Climate change is the most pressing issue that humanity faces and therefore it is* crucially important to me that you pass HB 2020, the Clean Energy Jobs bill.

We must put a price on carbon to monetize the externalities from fossil fuel use. Not only will this help stem the worst effects of climate change, but it will also benefit our economy.

An independent economic study showed that HB 2020 will add to household income across all tax brackets, with the most going to low-income households. It will create thousands of goodpaying jobs and the transition to cleaner energy will lower costs for people and businesses.

This is also personal. I have two kids, and they both suffer health effects from climate change. The poor air quality from increased forest fires is a killer for kids, elderly folks and people with compromised immune systems.

We only have until 2030 to avoid the most catastrophic effects of climate change. The time to act was decades ago. We have no time to waste.

My kids shouldn't have to grow up in fear of climate change and deserves leaders that address this crisis. Please do everything in your power to protect their future. Passing the Clean Energy Jobs bill this year is an important first step.

Thank you,

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