

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

My name is Sarah Carolus. I live in Mr. Dembrow's District and wanted you to know that it is very important to me that you pass HB 2020, the Clean Energy Jobs bill. With this bill, millions of dollars per year in proceeds from Clean Energy jobs will be reinvested in clean energy solutions. It will put Oregonians to work by making Clean Energy jobs available. An independent economic study presented to the State Legislature in 2019 shows that HB 2020 will benefit our economy by adding to household incomes across all tax brackets with the creation of good-paying jobs, the most of which will go to low-income households. Additionally, the transition to cleaner energy will lower costs for individuals and businesses. And there will be a money savings by improving energy efficiency in both homes and businesses.

And this bill guarantees that 2 million metric tons of pollution will be reduced every year. That is a wonderful and hopeful statistic.

We don't have time to put off this bill. Scientists agree we have 11 years to drastically reduce emissions if we want to avoid the most catastrophic impacts of climate change. Clean Energy Jobs is a policy that has been in the making for over a decade.

**Oregon CAN and MUST take the leadership role for our nation to move Clean Energy and Climate Justice legislation forward on a fast track! We must act NOW and pass HB 2020 this year!**

Thank you,  
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