

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

My name is *Jo Rodgers* and I live in Eugene. I am writing to urge you to pass HB 2020, the Clean Energy Jobs bill.

The biggest reason why this Bill urgently needs to pass is so that we can take real action NOW to truly address the climate crisis. In my new work at Our Children's Trust, the nonprofit organization that is taking on constitutional cases at the state, national, and international levels on climate change, I am becoming very aware of how our current mode is causing a systemic breakdown of our biosphere. We are literally in danger of making life only good for rats, roaches, and bacteria.

There is still time to turn things around so that current youth and unborn generations (human and otherwise) will have a chance for a decent future. We can even help them thrive if we do things right, and immediately.

It's been shown that HB 2020 would help everyone, in all tax brackets, and especially low-income households. We need to come up with ways that work for the planet and, fortunately, we can do this AND create thousands of good-paying jobs.

Passing the Clean Energy Jobs bill cannot happen soon enough. Thank you for your time, careful consideration, and (I hope) brave leadership!

My best,

Jo Rodgers