

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

Please support and vote for the Clean Energy Jobs Bill. This legislation is crucial to Oregon's economy, our way of life and our future. The bill would raise revenue and use that revenue to help create projects that support local businesses, create local jobs and help the environment. Without a healthy environment, so much that makes Oregon special will be lost (healthy oceans, intact forests, river ecosystems, mountains and glaciers and all the jobs that go along with these attractions) This bill would also be a model for other states, localities, provinces etc and help create the kind of momentum needed to adequately and quickly address carbon emissions; a necessity if we are to avoid the most catastrophic effects of climate change. And finally, please do what you can to support those who need it most through our transition to a clean energy economy. This bill provides the revenue to start to do that whether it is incentivizing the purchase of less polluting farm equipment for our family farmers in Eastern Oregon or making public transportation more affordable and efficient for our low income residents or finding ways to assist people of color access clean and cheap renewable electricity. In closing, I urge you to strong support this legislation. There is no time to waste.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Paul Carew

Bend Oregon

Please support the Clean Energy Jobs Bill