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Via Electronic Mail

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To: **Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction; Senator:** Thatcher; **Representatives:** Post; Noble;
[and many others]

Re: I DO NOT SUPPORT: [HB 3425]: Cap and Trade is not the solution.

If Oregon adopts a Cap and Trade program the economy as you understand it will collapse. Already there are a myriad of Legislation in both House and Senate that is destroying agriculture and forestry economies.

Look at the legislation that targets Eastern Oregon. There are many Bills which will add carbon to the atmosphere in order for Eastern Oregon to develop economically to compete with Payette County, Idaho.

Oregon derives electricity from burning municipal garbage because Oregon does not have a ZERO WASTE policy.

Corporations are already pressuring Yamhill County Commissioners with permits to erect solar farms on irreplaceable and priceless farmlands.

There are many Bills in both House and Senate for the Economic Development and housing for rural areas. This is a guarantee carbon will increase and the agricultural economy will be destroyed. The rural areas should stay "rural" with "no" Economic Development to protect irreplaceable and priceless farm lands.

Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) will create a very expensive infrastructure to carry out the mandated functions. How will you account for VMTs from Truckers, Tourists or those leaving Oregon to get the Hell out of here? How will you account for electric cars and hybrids? Farmers are going to love you for this regulation.

The biggest drawback to this tomfoolery of carbon reduction resides in; the estimates, the credits eligible households will pay as opposed to equivalent treatment of all households, the immense record keeping will be rife with corruption, enforcement will be unequal and very, very costly.

You should be focusing on clean energy development, complete recycling of everything, cleaning water ways and the oceans adjacent to Oregon and planting many, many trees and other plants that will support pollinators.

There are many more ways to save the planet. Cap and Trade is not going to work, period.

And then there is the abominable creation of **[HB 2020]**, the creation of "Carbon Policy Office." This Office is yet another funding boondoggle that will have little to no affect on reducing carbon.

Personally, I don't think any of you has the slightest clue as to what you have already have done and continue to do so as to condemn and doom the futures of Oregonians. But, one can always pray for a miracle.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ David S. Wall

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