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I urge you to use the short session for what it was intended for and not to cram major legislation through using an emergency clause. Cap and trade is not an emergency. If this bill is beneficial for the citizens of Oregon then it will stand on its own merits and deserves a vote of the people. It deserves to be properly debated and vetted, given the significant impact on the citizens.

My personal opinion on the bill itself is that you can't tax the carbon emissions away. Education, awareness and proper reforestation will do more than any carbon tax. We can take pride in going our part but until other industrialized countries like China make a genuine effort and curb their carbon emissions we will have no impact. It's sort of like trying to buy good health. I haven't been able to do that, have you?

Please, the majority of Oregon citizens are past weary and suspicious of what has transpired in Salem. Just handle those items that are truly an emergency in the short session and leave major bills until the next full session. I promise you if it's that important now, it will be that important then. Rushed bills are bad bills and we don't need any more bad decisions by the ones who are supposed to be "leaders" and possess a certain level of wisdom and solid thinking. Thank you for your consideration.

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