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Good morning,

I would like to submit my testimony to be included in the hearing for SB1530.

Without getting too high on a soapbox, I do feel that SB1530 would be devastating for Oregon - not just rural Oregon (although they would be first to feel the pain), but for all of Oregon. Oregonians on the poorer end of the spectrum, across the board, will be affected first and continually, with the loss of jobs, and additional taxes; not to mention the potential benefits lost due to new businesses opting to not move here, as well as the established businesses That have been - and will be - forced out of Oregon already due to the rising cost of doing business here thanks to the recently passed legislation now being enforced.

While I do believe that climate change is real, I don't believe it is anything out of the normal cycle of all things. Do our actions impact the environment? Of course, as much as any ant's actions affect each of our individual lives. Do we need huge legislation that will negatively impact all Oregonians, with the best possible outcome of said legislation providing no more impact on climate change than if we choose to do nothing? I firmly believe and wish to be counted as a resounding NO, we do not.

SB1530 serves to be nothing more than additional fear mongering and money grabbing to try and fill a money vacuum that our State government cannot seem to rectify itself. We are all so tired of the fear mongering, for future note - one of the best things to come out of the past several years is that we have all been "woke up", so to speak - we've been shaken out of our calm lives by the increasingly outlandish, spoiled child behavior that has been on show. We've been pushed, shoved and ran over, yet we get up, go to work, provide for our families (and yours - who do you think delivers the goods that stock the shelves you buy from?) and we tried to play nice and get along. Which led to more pushing, shoving and walking on. Now, you get to reap what you sowed - we are angry, we are tired and we are done with dusting ourselves off for another round. We are now standing firm, pushing back and buckling down for some holding of our ground. SB1530 is not a good bill, it will inflict nothing but harm on Oregonians, and it should be removed from the floor or sent to the voters.

I would also like it read aloud, stated for the record or brought up on the floor that I, and I am not alone in this, am thoroughly offended that a public servant would feel that I don't have the mental capacity to understand SB1530 and that, for that reason, it shouldn't be voted on by the people. The audacity, arrogance and utter disregard to their constituents absolutely blew me away when I read about, then listened to, Oregon Senate Majority Leader Ginny Burdick state that it is too complex for voters to be able to understand. (for your reference: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L5NcJCx-IXk&feature=share&fbclid=IwAR1yW6g0Tf8EPd7\\_F5QHwLDtpUiX-StzipCNELsjeQ8Os1ttMRpL\\_hj9Nyk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L5NcJCx-IXk&feature=share&fbclid=IwAR1yW6g0Tf8EPd7_F5QHwLDtpUiX-StzipCNELsjeQ8Os1ttMRpL_hj9Nyk)) SO disappointed, and yet not surprised, to actually hear someone who is meant to represent us and be our voice, state that she doesn't believe that we have the capacity to vote on such a bill. If that is truly the case, then this bill should automatically be removed from the floor and not return until such time as it can be written in such a way that it would never be disputed what the bill is actually for, will accomplish, will

cost and what the result will be - in no uncertain terms - so that every voter can have a competent vote.

Thank you for your time. I look forward to having my testimony included, as well as my requested testimony read aloud.

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