Hello

My name is Maia Hixon. I am an educator and mother of a young child in the Portland Metro area and I am extremely concerned and the lack of state-level action to create and pass strong climate legislation in this session.

SB 1530 is a good start, but it's not enough. We're already behind as a state, a nation, and a global community and we need to do all we can, at every level, to prevent the worst of the worst. We cannot take less than the strongest of measures in this crucial time.

SB 1530 needs to be stronger to reduce pollution from fossil fuel natural gas and increase investments for the clean economy. It needs to be stronger to reduce greenhouse gases from oil companies all across the state. And investments into communities most affected by climate change -- rural, low-income, Tribes and communities of color -- need to be guaranteed.

Oregon's most vulnerable populations need strong climate action. People in poverty have the most to lose under climate change natural disasters and have fewer resources to bounce back.

Please build upon the work you have started with SB 1530 by making the bill stronger and pass bold climate legislation in 2020 now.

Thank you,

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