

Dear Honorable Oregon Senators:

I'm writing today to express my thoughts, and respectfully ask that you do not push this harmful legislation into law.

Oregonians have long been on the forefront of valuing our environment. We have one of the most beautiful and treasured states in our country, and people love living here and caring for the earth. We should not be taxed and punished to address an issue that, while may be of concern, the cap and trade solution is by no means settled "science." This is a serious issue that should not be rushed through by a supermajority, where minority voices are not heard. This is tyranny of the majority and is not what Oregonians deserve. It will not only hurt our rural communities where people will be unable to do the work they know how to do—in many cases providing our food and other resources of daily living—but costs on everything will go up for all Oregonians. There are too many openings for corruption and unintended consequences, with no data pointing to improvement to the earth's climate. This should not be done to our people.

- If the Legislature is unwilling to kill this bill, please take it up in a long session, when it can be fully debated and more thoughtful consideration can be given to the consequences of this legislation, not the short session.

- Ideally, other ideas should be raised, with innovative solutions that do not devastate people economically, and any legislation should be placed on the ballot for voters.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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