I oppose SB1530.

On such a controversial and important issue, as cap and trade is, Oregonians deserve to have this done right. This is NOT a bill that belongs in the short session. Simply pushing something through, without more regard for how it will impact families and their livelihoods is disheartening and wrong.

Remove the emergency clause and allow Oregonians to vote for what, they feel, is best for them and their state. If your bill is something you believe so strongly in, let it stand on its own. What are you afraid of? It doesn't need to be steamrolled through. In fact, by doing that, it looks dishonest and you lose the faith of many Oregonians. Be transparent. Allow us to vote. We all deserve a say and a seat at the table.

The idea that anyone opposing this bill isn't in favor of protecting our planet, or that we don't care about the futures of our children and grandchildren, or that we aren't smart enough to understand and vote on this bill? Is all untrue.

All Oregonians deserve to be heard, have a voice and a choice. There is a way that changes can be made, and agreed upon, without destroying hard working Oregonian families, but that takes negotiating and time. Which can not be done in a short session.

Sincerely, Sonja Madsen-Nunnally