

House of Representatives:

Once again I write along with many others who write and/or testify to the Oregon Legislature about the Cap and Trade Farce - this farce with the hidden agenda - not to control pollution (Oregon his very, very low a mount of this - with most being caused by Portland and surrounding cities) but a money grab scenario that is selling us out to the Chinese. WHY would we want to be selling ourselves out MORE than we already have to a COMMUNIST Country that we can't trust and shouldn't trust. WHY are we, the citizens of Oregon going to pay for them to continue to pollute while we foot the bill. This makes no sense at all. The definition of the term "COMMON SENSE" IS AS FOLLOWS:

com·mon sense

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noun

1. good sense and sound judgment in practical matters.
"a common-sense approach"

Unfortunately most of the sponsors and supporters of any of these versions of Cap and Trade bills lack COMMON SENSE. Portland and the surrounding area and most of their leaders have shown a BIG lack of COMMON SENSE. We in the rural and farming areas have COMMON SENSE. It's not in our areas that we are allowing damaging protests, such as ANTIFA , allowing and justifying HUMAN DEFECATION and CAMPING on our city streets and the list goes on and on. We know what's right and what's wrong for the most part. We are HARD working citizens that spend on average (if we are a small business owner, trucker, miner, farmer, etc) that 50 to 80 hours a week supporting our independent, small business lifestyle. We don't work a 9 to 5 job but we like it that way. Most of you that are our elected Officials (we will choose more carefully next time) have never had a small business, worked or owned a farm, drove truck, etc) We know HOW to work and what a small amount of money we live on to have that lifestyle. You all need to look at what your real intentions are on forcing these Cap and Trade laws on us.

I believe you all should pay attention to the Voters of Oregon and let us VOTE - it is our RIGHT!!!!

Below is more information for you to ponder. Please ditch this BILL or let the PEOPLE OF OREGON VOTE!

) Cap and Trade is going to drive up utility prices and gas prices.

b) The carveouts aren't for everyone...so that's not a fix.

c) Waiting around for a tax rebate next year when you have to pay your bills today...also not a solution.

d) Timber Unity has a 4-point plan to address carbon issues WITHOUT a tax...pass that NOW and leave our checkbooks alone.

e) County Commissioners from all over Oregon are saying NO to Cap and Trade. Legislators should too.

f) It's a huge change in how Oregon does regulations related to transportation and manufacturing and natural resources - the people deserve the right to vote - refer it to the people.

g) Stop wasting our money on green energy boondoggles. \$20 million to implement is crazy and unrealistic based on past projects and failures.

I know lots of you are new to this, and all the smoke and mirrors and bait and switch and last minute hearings is trying all of our patience, but believe me, you need to show up in some shape of form tomorrow...it's critical.

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The majority of small-business owners say they work at least 50 hours per week, according to a recent poll -- far more than the national average of 33.8 hours per week reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Thirty-three percent of small-business owners reported working more than 50 hours per week, while an additional 25% said they work more than 60 hours a week,

Sincerely,

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