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To Chair Sollman, Vice-Chair Findley and members of the Committee:

I am writing in support of SB 522 to rename and strengthen the activities of the Global Warming Commission. Specifically, changing the name of the Commission will better describe the breadth and depth of its important goals. I am especially interested in helping Oregon do its share of reduction in polluting green house gas release and increase the rate at which we lower the level.

I think the science is correct that we will continue increasingly destructive weather events and extensive political and social turmoil unless our world rapidly reduces polluting greenhouse gas and does it with deliberate effort toward reducing trauma to vulnerable people. This is a world project and we need to demonstrate that we are doing our part. World cooperation is necessary for us to succeed.

We need the Global Warming Commission to continue to report on how well Oregon is doing toward meeting its climate goals, and to recommend new and improved policies if we are failing.

I urge your support of SB 522.