

Submitter: Bill Harris

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure: HB3196

Chair Marsh, Vice Chairs Robt Levy and Emerson Levy and committee members:
I support HB 3196.

I observed more than a year of vigorous work of DEQ staff and the Citizens Advisory Committee developing the CPP (Climate Protection Plan). Transportation fuel is the source of a large portion of Oregon green house gas production. The Plan will make it possible for our Oregon fuel suppliers to reduce green house gas release in required amounts by 2045-2050 or to pay an increasing price for the cost of carbon pollution. The funds collected will be used by Oregon Community Organizations to arrange for proportionate reduction of green house gas released by burning the fossil fuel. Priority will be given to climate justice community organizations to arrange for training of people to do weatherizing and electrifying homes and business buildings. The fuel suppliers will have an alternative option when they cannot arrange to meet their diminishing quota. Green house gas release will reduce at an increasing rate and money generated will generate jobs and safer, healthier buildings.

The CPP program is a very creative plan. It will become a large portion of our Oregon fair share of green house gas reduction and do it in a way that is ecologically just.

Please move HB 3196 forward with recommendation to pass,

Sincerely,
Bill Harris