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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Measure: SB5506

Co-Chairs Steiner and Sanchez and Members of the Joint Ways and Means Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB 522 and SB 530.

Oregon Global Warming Commission's (OGWC) 2023 Report to the Oregon Legislature states that Oregon failed to meet its greenhouse gas emission reduction goal for 2020. Fortunately, OGWC's Oregon Climate Action Roadmap to 2030 concludes that Oregon can still meet its greenhouse gas emission reduction goal for 2035 and even pull that in to 2030 if we provide adequate staffing and resources. Given that climate change is already harming our citizens and having a huge financial impact, I strongly urge you to prioritize funding for SB 522, updates to the OGWC, and SB 530, Natural Climate Solutions. Together, these bills will help Oregon to address the threat of global climate crisis and position Oregon to take advantage of Federal funding for climate action.

Thank you for your service and for making it a priority to address the global climate crisis.

Respectfully,  
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