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From: Jan Arthur Weston [mailto:janweston@comcast.net]
Sent: Sunday, April 12, 2015 8:59 PM
To: Patrino Beth
Cc: Sen Devlin
Subject: Testimony to support HB 3250

Dear Members of the House Energy and Environment Committee,

I'm writing to ask for your support of HB 3250, which would put a cap on carbon emissions by auctioning allowances and distribute the revenue back to Oregonians.

I live and vote in Senate District 19 Richard Devlin.

Through my church, West Hills Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, I am working on doing something to reverse climate change and having fewer carbon emissions is a step in the right direction. Reduced carbon in the atmosphere will reduce the greenhouse effect and reverse global warming so scientists tell us.

HB 3250 has no effect on budget. 100% of fees collected is refunded to Oregon taxpayers every year.

A similar program has been if use in British Columbia since 2008. <u>http://climate-</u>xchange.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/Proof_Positive-

the <u>BC Carbon Tax Fact Sheet December 2014.pdf</u> Fuel use is down 16% because polluters look for ways to reduce carbon usage and therefore pay lower fees. California has some similar programs also so Oregon would not be the only West coast region to collect fees for carbon use.

Thank you so much for your attention and consideration,

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