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Subject: Support HB 3250

Dear Members of the House Energy and Environment Committee,

Please support carbon pricing. My college age kids are concerned about their future. My son sent me an email from college showing the Titanic sinking -- representing our climate sinking.

**When people say climate change isn't happening
because it's snowing where they are...**



Our children should not have to worry if they will have a future or if their government will take action quickly and effectively enough to protect them. Our students are doing their part to make the future bright: let's be adult and do our part.

I support HB 3250 because it's equitable, scientifically sound, and built to last.

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. Climatologists sounded the alarm on greenhouse gas pollution decades ago, and yet the world burns fossil fuels faster every year. We need a holistic solution to free ourselves of dirty energy, and HB 3250 is Oregon's opportunity to lead the way.

1. **It gets the job done.** HB 3250 would bring our greenhouse gas emissions 85% below 1990 levels by 2050, matching the reduction rate we need to avoid a 2°C rise in global temperature averages.
2. **It proves the model.** The states are still the laboratories of democracy, and there's no better state than Oregon to inspire federal climate action. HB 3250 would disprove the myth that climate change is some elaborate trick to grow the size of government. And by returning the auction proceeds to every Oregonian, it would prove that the burden of climate stability need not be borne by low-income families.
3. **It's built to last.** We don't have the luxury of winning this struggle twice. HB 3250 would create Oregon's very own Alaska Permanent Fund: loathed by polluters, adored by the electorate. Alaska holds polluters accountable for the extraction of fossil fuels, Oregon should hold them accountable for treating our atmosphere like a sewer.
4. **It's legally sound.** A simple majority in both chambers would put HB 3250 on the Governor's desk, and no constitutional amendment would be necessary to address Section 3a, Article IX.

Sincerely,

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