I have been a Certified Public Accountant in Malheur County for more then 40 years and the damage this bill will do to the people in rural areas is considerable. Most small business, especially farmers, are struggling with the cost of fuel and all other costs while the selling price of farm commodities has been going down. Bills like this do severe damage to rural communities all because there is a problem with pollution in the large metropolitan areas of the state. The proposed increase in the cost of natural gas is just insane. Most people in this state cannot afford these kind of increases in fuel and the resulting cost in all other products we use.

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