

Co-chairs Dembrow and Power, and members of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction,

My name is Cooper Morrow and I live in Bend, OR. As a lifetime user and admirer of our natural environment, it is very important to me that you pass HB 2020, the Clean Energy Jobs bill. I have taken courses on clean energy and its benefits back in the 90's. Years ago I took a grad course on Carbon Markets at PSU. The benefits of a move away from fossil fuels has been apparent for years. Even Republicans were on board with cap and trade measures years ago. We've been successful in the past with large issues like acid rain and the ozone hole, and we can again with climate change and our excessive emissions levels.

The time to act, and lead, is now. The younger generations are very aware of how climate change is impacting their future, and they are looking to the adults in the room to work together and mitigate this longstanding and potentially devastating problem.

Thank you,

Cooper Morrow