Co-chairs Dembrow and Power, and members of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction, my name is Brinna Keillor. I am from Bend, Oregon, and I am writing in support of HB 2020, the Clean Energy Jobs bill. Not only is this bill a step in the right direction against climate change, but it will benefit our economy in an equitable way, creating thousands of jobs as shown in an independent economic study presented to the legislature in 2019. Cap and invest programs are not new, 10 states already have successful programs reaping benefits such as growing economies, falling emissions, stable energy prices, and thousands of jobs created. Oregon is already suffering from the negative impacts of climate change. In 2017, wildfires cost our state \$51.5 million in visitor spending alone not to mention the damage done to our farms, forests, and lungs or the fact that it our most vulnerable community members including children, elders, and rural Oregonians, who suffer the most from climate impact. HB 2020 gives Oregon the opportunity to do our part in combating climate change. With all the potential benefits, I implore you to pass HB2020 this year.

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