

Dear Members of Carbon Reduction Committee: March 1, 2019

I'm writing today, to express my very strong opposition to the proposed House Bill 2020. This is a very serious case of government over-reach.

While it might effect a reduction in emissions, that reduction would be VERY SMALL, and the negative impact on Oregon's industry, people and economy would be very large.

Many jobs and businesses would be lost. People would suffer, including our children and grandchildren.

I urge you to consider that- in order for those of us who pay our already burdensome taxes need to keep our jobs in order to continue paying those taxes and paying your salaries.

We want Oregon to continue to be the best, most beautiful state in the Nation, just don't kill it to make it better.

To bring this legislation, would drive the state into poverty and that would not make it better. Find ways to help us that don't kill us.

We will hold the legislature strictly accountable if any harm comes to our industries and our families as a result of this legislation.

Do the right thing. Take HB 2020 off the table and toss it.

You committee members can find ways to help us that do not destroy our lives and families. Don't kill our jobs and then compensate us with our own money.

Also- a number of us want you to extend the time for sending in written comments, at least until April.

Thanks for your careful attention to this matter.

Patrick Cowdrey, long time resident of Jackson County, Oregon, proud grandfather of 8 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Dear Carbon Reduction Committee-

Concerning the proposed HB 2020, many of us out here in rural Oregon are well aware of the fact that taxes have long been used as a way of controlling people.

I, along with many rural residents of Jackson County, are concerned that the real purpose of this harmful, proposed legislation, is not just to raise money, but to restrict our freedom of movement and travel.

We do not accept this and we do not consent to it.

I ask you to immediately withdraw HB 2020 from consideration.

Patrick Cowdrey, voter in Eagle Point, Oregon