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HB 2020 is promoted as a way to curb carbon emissions and promote alternate energy sources. It appears to be primarily supported by one group and paid for by another. As with so many measures taken up by this legislature, the potential unintended consequences are ignored. Businesses will not just sit idly by and accept the penalty handed to them. They will look for better options, including more business friendly states. After recovering from the devastation of increased fuel prices, the agriculture and transportation industries will eventually adjust their rates and pass the costs to everyone else.

This measure promotes a change in carbon emission that is nothing but symbolic.

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