

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

My name is Joe Fox and I live in Eugene. Please vote to pass HB 2020, the Clean Energy Jobs bill. It would be a bold and redeeming demonstration of your courage commitment to bequeath a better world and abide a bountiful legacy to our posterity.

An independent economic studies presented to the legislature in 2019 show how HB 2020 will benefit our economy and provide. It will add to household income across all tax brackets, create thousands of good-paying jobs, and accelerate the transition to cleaner energy that will lower costs for people and businesses. One of the best parts of the bill is that it guarantees 2.2 million metric tons of pollution will be reduced every two years, this will help the environment and may give some relief to those who have asthma. Extreme summer wildfire smoke, worsened by climate change, caused Oregon to lose \$51.5 million in visitor spending. US Forest Service foolishly spends more than half its budget on fighting fires rather than proactively ramping up prescribed fire during the Spring.

Last year a new report came out that shows we have 11 years to reduce emissions before our climate careens into a tipping point that may doom civilization. Our child shouldn't have to grow up in fear of climate change and deserves leaders that address this crisis. Please do everything in your power to protect their future. Passing the Clean Energy Jobs bill this year is an important first step.

Thank you,

Joe Fox, A Concerned Oregonian.