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**Joint Committee on
Ways and Means**

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To: Natural Resources Subcommittee
From: Paul Siebert, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: June 5, 2019
Subject: HB 2020 – Relating to greenhouse gas emissions; declaring an emergency

The bill establishes the Climate Policy Office (CPO) within Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) and directs the CPO to adopt an Oregon Climate Action Program by rule.

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the -A101 amendment which prohibits the issuance of offset credits for greenhouse gas emissions reductions for projects on state forestlands through December 31, 2026 unless the lands are classified as trust lands, Elliott State Forest, Common School Lands or other lands in the jurisdiction of the State Land Board. Agricultural non-road equipment is added as a priority for investment of proceeds from the Climate Investments Fund. The Climate Policy Office is required to identify opportunities for the use of state auction proceeds, if the Supreme Court determines that proceeds are not considered revenues from taxes on motor vehicle use and fuel. The amendment clarifies that a study conducted by the Oregon Transportation Commission should be conducted on a biennial basis and further identifies the entities which should receive the results of the study. The effective and repeal dates of sections 123a and 123b of the act are identified. Section 123c repeals Sections 123a and 123b on the date the judicial determination finds the auction proceeds are a tax on motor vehicle use or fuel or January 2, 2027, whichever is earlier.

MOTION: I move adoption of the -A101 amendment to HB 2020. (VOTE)

LFO recommends adoption of the -A103 amendment which provides the General Fund appropriations, Other Funds expenditure limitation, and Lottery Funds allocation to the affected agencies as outlined in the fiscal impact statement; and deletes previously existing appropriation language from page 96.

MOTION: I move adoption of the -A103 amendment to HB 2020. (VOTE)

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 2020, as amended by the -A101 amendment and the -A103 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move HB 2020, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____