

VOTE YES ON HOUSE BILL 2020B

We are writing in support of House Bill 2020B, the Clean Energy Jobs Act. Oregon's consumer and environmental advocates, organized labor, businesses, family forestland owners, Tribes, and utilities have worked with policymakers for over a decade to find balanced outcomes to advance the state's climate goals.

HB 2020B continues that tradition, this time on an economy-wide scale. Stakeholders and residents alike have participated in a number of work groups and public hearings across the state to help craft a policy framework that recognizes the economic and social diversity of our state and builds on and complements existing climate policies.

Key components of House Bill 2020B include:

- Establishes the Climate Action Program to help achieve the state's climate goals;
- Caps greenhouse gas emissions economy-wide and creates a flexible, cost-effective compliance mechanism;
- Recognizes the impacts that climate change has on vulnerable populations and prioritizes investments in those communities around the state;
- Dedicates funding in a way that balances mitigation, sequestration, adaptation, resilience and transition strategies to benefit our people and economy;
- Strengthens and enhances energy efficiency and renewable energy investments; accelerates transportation electrification opportunities, and invests in natural and working lands;
- Protects low- and fixed-income communities by providing credits and prioritizing investments to reduce energy burden;
- Creates strong, family-wage jobs and protections for workers;
- Includes strong accountability and oversight of the program; and,
- Creates new and innovative economic development opportunities across Oregon including throw tribal, rural and coastal communities.

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We ask for your support of House Bill 2020B and

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