Dear Senators,

I am really dismayed at the push of SB 1530. It's still getting amendments added. It's HUGE and for a small session I was really hoping we could address the lack of funding that is causing huge issues currently in our state.

Per my research Cap & Trade is a HUGE money maker for Michael Bloomberg, Tom Steyer and Goldman Sachs. The people connected to the Oregon non-profits all have been handsomely funded by both.

The issues we are truly facing are as follows:

Over 20 toxic and cancerous chemicals being found in our water

117 Youth suicides per year

15,000 people homeless

Over 706 children were separated from their families due to lack of housing per Oregon DHS. Self-Sufficiency Director said that they did NOT get the necessary funding to provide resources or housing for these families.

1 in 5 children in foster care are on psychiatric drugs and we are not tracking this in Oregon.

Oregon DHS has never done a full accounting or statewide assessment of all children in their care. We do not presently know where all the children are, if they are safe, not abused and accounted for.

Oregon ranks almost dead last on educational outcomes. We have the shortest year, only 15 minutes of recess and my kids are getting 200 grams of sugar per day because that's the "standards".

Please, with a cherry on top, get to addressing these dire issues. Instead of killing thousands of jobs, let's work untied to plant thousands of trees and addressing the true crisis in our state.

Best regards,

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