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Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Olsen, members of the Committee:

I ask you to support SB 1530. We all depend on you to start bold climate action NOW. We have already waited too long. Please begin action for the future survival of the human species and many others, particularly the poor and oppressed who experience the greatest impacts. The largest polluters should pay for their disproportionate impacts on the many, the young, the poor, and the unborn. I do hear the concerns of those whose businesses will be taxed further. I know I would also feel fear. However, we cannot allow the livelihoods (and often corporate greed) of a few to take precedence over the threats to the many, the entire world, the young and the unborn. We must do the right thing before it is too late. Do not let shortsighted concerns keep us from taking action now.

I am personally afraid that I will lose my ability to be safely in the great outdoors in Oregon due to air pollution from forest fires increasing from climate change. I am personally afraid of increasing food costs and lack of clean water to drink, and an inability to feed myself because I cannot grow vegetables successfully or access the water id need for irrigation, because of climate change. My partner and I have also decided not to have children because we are unwilling to bring them into a world in environmental collapse where they will not be able to go outside, breathe clean air, eat fresh food, or drink clean water. They may be washed or blown or burned away by natural disaster any moment. Let's please make things better for those who come after us and are young people now. I have often felt lucky that I will die before we lose everything. Many people will have to live through it.

Thank you for taking bold action on climate change, vote yes on SB 1530.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
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