

Honorable members of the committee:

My name is Keri Handaly and I live in Portland.
I support Senate Bill 1530-27.

I am here to urge you to take thoughtful action for my 14 yo niece who will be in her 40s when these reductions are projected to be met.

I have a master's degree in public policy and I work in local government to provide water protection under state and federal regulations.

No progress is ever made without regulations. Businesses do not invest in cleaner technology voluntarily.

We need to shift to renewable fuels and a cap and trade system is both an efficient and effective policy tool recognized by national economic experts.

Corporations in Oregon already do not pay their fare share. They need to step up to help protect Oregon.

I acknowledge your work on the bill to mitigate impact on rural Oregon and farmers by controlling fuel costs in these areas. Even Oregon farmers know that they won't have crops with greater heat, water insecurity, drought, and wildfire.

I am confident you can craft policy in Senate Bill 1530 that will move us forward without unintended consequences and protect our future generations.

The time for action is today.

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