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Please consider this testimony in favor of strong climate action in 2020.

The climate science is clear and it is time to act and act in a significant manner. We cannot afford to wait for technology and adoption of that technology. We need to super charge the process by most any means possible.

The current bill is a good framework and while it could be stronger, it sets a strong and declining cap with investments to support further GHG reductions and job growth throughout the State. Cap and trade schemes have been shown to work across the world at reducing emissions while having little or no negative economic impacts.

Legislators have done a good job of listening to concerns of Oregonians across the state and have paid particular attention to rural Oregon. While I think these changes again weaken what science requires of us, I understand their needs to and applaud your efforts.

WE CAN DO THIS in a manner effectively reducing our emissions, benefitting our economy across the state and inspiring other jurisdictions to act similarly.

Thank you for your leadership and please build upon the work you have started with LC 19 by making the bill stronger and pass bold climate legislation in 2020.

Sincerely,

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