

My name is Jean Gerson; I am a resident of Lebanon, tree grower, small business owner, mother, and teacher. Thank you for making Climate Legislation a top priority! But we all know there are too many giveaways to the fossil fuel industry, making the bill too weak to be effective. WE need to address the effects of natural gas greenhouse emissions while investing in a clean economy. **It has to be stronger to reduce greenhouse gases!!**

Climate change affects all of us! Our oceans are becoming more acidic, crab fishermen are suing. We have lost hundreds of Douglas Fir trees and wildfires are more frequent. Even Greenland has now had its first ever wildfire! The last ten years have been the hottest on record; just yesterday Antarctica hit the highest temperature on record while the West Antarctic Ice sheet is collapsing!!!

Urgent Action is Needed Now! We need bold leadership to combat this crisis!

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