

From: [Doug Schmidt](#)
To: [SENR Exhibits](#)
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Dear Senators,

I ask you to stop SB 1530 Cap and Trade. This will create undue stress on low income and the elderly. You may say that their utilities will be protected but they will pay the ultimate price at the gas pump and in prices at the store. With the increases in minimum wage to help people make a living wage, bills like this will lessen the likelihood they will be able to survive off the new minimum wage. This coupled with the gross receipts tax that was implemented after voters voted it down, will only add to increased prices. Many of the small businesses in Oregon do not have the luxury of earning high margins and it seems that the state is trying to run them out of business.

The bill lacks transparency and the people of Oregon have the right to vote on it.

Sincerely,

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Born in Oregon and love my state.

P.S. I really think you should be working on a solution to help the homeless population. We are all Gods creatures and they shouldn't be ignored.