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Sent Via Email

The Honorables Kathleen Taylor and Jeff Reardon, Co-Chairs & Honorable Members of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Natural Resources 900 Court Street NE Salem, OR 97301

Re: Opposition to SB 1530 / Comments on Amendments

Dear Senator Taylor and Representative Reardon,

On behalf of the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce, our nearly 400 members representing 17,000 Douglas County employees, I wish to express our continued opposition to SB 1530, proposed Cap and Trade legislation due to negative impacts on rural Oregon.

However, this written testimony is to specifically address proposed amendments to SB 1530 currently before your subcommittee. Our comments are as follows:

- The Roseburg Chamber supports Representative Cedric Hayden's amendment, A52, which removes the emergency clause from the bill.
- The Roseburg Chamber supports Representative Christine Deboy Drazan's amendment, A43, which refers the entire bill to the people for a vote.
- The Roseburg Chamber opposes amendment, A41, which was introduced with no public hearing. This amendment removes from Cap and Trade the ability for utility companies to pass through rate increases for their cost of Cap and Trade projects onto citizens.
- The Roseburg Chamber opposes the fiscal allocation to SB 1530, currently the amendment A51, an estimated \$20 Million.

I plead to your good conscience and respectfully request you support local businesses and the citizens in our state and oppose SB 1530. Oregonians, particularly, those of us in rural Oregon, cannot afford to bear the burden of this legislation. Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

cc:

ROSEBURG AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Debra L. Fromdahl, IOM President & CEO

The Honorable Dallas Heard The Honorable Floyd Prozanski The Honorable David Brock-Smith The Honorable Gary Leif The Honorable Cedric Hayden



To advocate for and be the voice of the business community in the greater Roseburg area.

To strengthen, enhance and protect our members through political advocacy, economical development, community promotion and member programs and services.