

I have lived in NE Portland my entire adult life, first coming to Oregon to volunteer at a community center. I recently retired from my life's work as a social worker serving elders and people with disabilities. I fundamentally value fairness and personal responsibility and believe that people working together can effect positive change. I've been a student of climate change for the past decade, moved by the journalism and leadership of Bill McKibben who started 350.org a global movement addressing climate change. Just as I take care of my home for the good of my family, it's important to me to "take care" of our planet for the sake of future generations and because of my love of nature and life itself.

Those who would listen understand that we must act now to mitigate global warming, and I'm very pleased the state of Oregon voted in favor of the clean energy bill.

The past year has heightenend our awareness of social inequities that prevent people of color from having the same access to economic benefits enjoyed by white people. Many Oregonians have been deeply moved as they've learned more about the history of racial inequity in our country. Oregon House Bill 2021 -100% Clean Energy for All provides us with the opportunity to make meaningful progress in transitioning to renewable energy in a just manner that helps Oregonian's who need it most. I urge you to support HB 2021. Thank you.