

My name is Joshua Spector in 97212, I am a lifelong Oregonian, attended Oregon public schools from Kindergarten through the University of Oregon where I studied Geography, Spatial Data Science, and Environmental Studies and I am writing in opposition to HB 3065 on behalf of myself, SunrisePDX, and every human being with a vested interest in future generations. I don't have much confidence in any level of government to fully deliver on the necessary actions to work towards a liveable future. Our climate fate is already sealed. We have passed the point of no return for our planet's health, humans have caused irreversible damage to our only home. The most basic way you as the power holders of our society can help is to work to reverse as much of this damage as possible, while building out our future systems of survival and resistance to the impending and increasingly dangerous changes in our biosphere. Unfortunately, you have displayed that is an inconceivable task for you, in a State that has strong majorities of Democrats in both the House and Senate. You still are not taking the necessary actions to move us in the correct direction. Why? Why are you ignoring the science, common sense, and the voices of the silenced and oppressed?

HB 3065 is murder. It is the choice of capital over the well being of future human existence. With Oregon in a deeper drought than we were during the fires of last Fall, I ask, how does adding more emissions into our atmosphere help? Are you enjoying these beautiful sunny and warm Spring days? I'm not. We are on track to break almost every drought intensity record in Oregon's history. Portland is about to have it's driest Spring ever. If you choose to support this bill, remember it every sip of water you take, because it's getting more and more valuable by the day, in part because of you. I beg that you reconsider passing this bill, as the continued widening of freeways is a direct attack on my generation, and the ones following me.