23 February 2021

To: Senate Committee on Energy and Environment

Re: Senate Joint Memorial 5

Dear Chair Senator Beyer, Vice-Chair Senator Findley and members of the Committee:

I am opposed to Oregon's supporting House Resolution 763 and strongly urge the Committee to table this bill.

The gist of this legislation, in ten words or less, is that merely paying a fee will alter the earth's atmosphere. That being said, climate change is not as much a discrete problem to be solved as it is a never-ending condition under which we will have to make choices about priorities for economic development and the way we govern ourselves.

SJM 5 is replete with alarmist speculation, propaganda and is without a doubt extremely biased. This bill is politically based and ignores empirical evidence that shows the opposite of its claims.

SJM 5 has the temerity to state "Whereas the death and destruction already wrought by global warming...." "Death and destruction"? Nothing alarming there.

When the most influential multinational corporations, the world's largest institutional investors and financial groups, including Goldman Sachs, the United Nations, the World Bank, the Bank of England and other central banks line up behind the financing of a so-called Green Agenda, it is time to look behind the surface of public climate activist campaigns to the actual order of business. The picture that is emerging is the financial reorganization of our country's economy by turning into a commodity the trace gas carbon dioxide, and concurrently carbon, the building block of all life on earth, all the while trying to convince us ordinary folk to make untold sacrifices to "save our planet."

For an example of where the thinking as espoused in SJM 5 leads take a close look at the current conditions in Germany as a result of their experiment with abolishing "carbon" and fossil fuels while implementing an over-reliance on so-called green energy.

Sincerely,

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