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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure: HB3022

I stand firmly opposed to HB 3022.

This law would set a dangerous precedent of removing rulemaking ability from state agencies.

Our legislature is not physically capable of making every single laws and rules needed to govern this state. It is just and proper that a lawmaking body delegates it's authority to trusted employees of the state of Oregon.

This law is really an underhanded way to remove our clean air standards.

The current standard is the bare minimum that is needed, in every state, to reduce the existential threat of climate change. We are already experiencing floods, unbearable temperatures, above average freezing winters and other weather related calamities. These are already locked in at our current level of carbon spending. The world that is waiting our children is much worse if we do not reduce our carbon output.

I hope the committee and the legislature will listen to the various experts and not pass HB 3022.

Thank You

Eldo Varghese and Dr. Giulia Leggett