

Southern Oregon Climate Action Now

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Confronting Climate Change

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Chair Lieber and members of the Senate Committee on Rules:

I write as cofacilitator of Southern Oregon Climate Action Now (SOCAN), an organization of over 2,000 rural Southern Oregonians who are concerned about the climate crisis and urge statewide action to address it. The mission of SOCAN is to promote awareness and understanding of the science of global warming and its climate chaos consequences and stimulate individual and collective action to address it. Since rural Oregonians occupy the frontlines in experiencing the impact of the drought, shrinking snowpack, wildfires and extreme weather that the climate crisis imposes, we are strongly committed to statewide action.

I have [previously submitted testimony](#) in support of SB85-1 on behalf of Southern Oregon Climate Action Now. I write today also on behalf of the Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network. In both capacities, I write to reiterate support for SB85-1. The evidence that large CAFOs are imposing huge environmental threats to rural Oregon and our statewide efforts to counter the state's contributions to the global climate crisis is incontestable. Those who defend these huge factory farms are placing short-term profits above the long-term survival of life on the planet as we know it.

On behalf of SOCAN and COIN I urge the Senate Committee on Rules to accept and recommend 85-1 and resist efforts orchestrated by the huge mega CAFO's and their apologists to weaken the -1 amendment. If we are serious about addressing the climate crisis and protecting rural Oregon from the threats imposed by these facilities, we must impose a moratorium on expansion to and of mega CAFO's as we undertake and open and transparent study of their

environmental impacts and develop remedies for the harm they are imposing on our state, nation and planet.

Respectfully Submitted

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