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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On
Natural Resources

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB5520

As a citizen of this beautiful state I am proud to call home, I am writing in support of SB 5520 to provide biennial funding for the the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality. There never was a more important time in the history of our country to protect our environment by reducing the horrific and ever worsening effects of climate change. As a person who has lived seven decades, I am heartbroken at the world that our children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren will inherit. As the federal government is pushing rollbacks to climate and environmental protections across the country, the time is NOW to do what we can in our state to maintain, and restore where necessary, the quality of Oregon's land, water, and air. Please work to ensure that the Department of Environmental Quality is well-funded so that we can implement the programs that are necessary to meet our climate goals — programs such as the Climate Protection Program and the Clean Fuels Program. Please do your job to protect your citizens by voting yes on SB 5520.