

I favor passage of HB2020 in order to hasten the reduction in fossil fuel use in Oregon. Continuing carbon dioxide emissions is a recipe for disaster, and the cap and trade in emission allowances would move us in the right direction.

Two additional points:

1. Since higher fuel prices will disproportionately affect low-income people, I urge the legislature to return part of the revenues to citizens on a sliding scale.

As currently proposed in the legislation, **revenue allocation to multiple jurisdictions strikes me as unwieldy, administratively costly and open to abuse.**

2. A portion of revenues should be used to expand support for new solar, wind, geothermal and other non-fossil fuel investments, perhaps through existing tax credits.

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