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Dear Senators and Representatives:

I am writing to you in opposition to HB4159 and SB1530. These bills were introduced into the short session because the senators and representatives indicate it “being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist.”

ONLY 3 states have per capita CO2 emissions less than Oregon.

([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_U.S.\\_states\\_and\\_territories\\_by\\_carbon\\_dioxide\\_emissions](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_U.S._states_and_territories_by_carbon_dioxide_emissions))

This is not an emergency and should be done in regular session where there is enough time to really look at the bill. This would affect all of Oregon and truly should be voted on by the people. I care about the environment as well but I also care about the rural jobs that will be devastated if this goes through as written now. There are other ways and compromises to be made. People are already taking responsible actions to reduce their carbon footprints. Instead, this action by the legislature will impose harsh and unnecessary taxation and additional costly government regulation and growth.

Finally, I point out that total U.S. CO2 emissions in 2018 were 22.5% less than emissions in 2013 (<https://www.eia.gov/environment/emissions/carbon/>).

I strongly urge you to vote against these bills.

Respectfully,

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