

Testimony of KATHLEEN FLYNN HB 19-1261 4/22/19  
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Happy Earth Day

HB 1261 is the most important  
 legislation you will hear. It is critical for Colorado,  
 the US & the world to reduce greenhouse gases.

At the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, coal, oil, & gasoline  
 powered our country. It is now time to change to  
 solar, wind, & other clean energy sources. Our lives  
 depend on it.

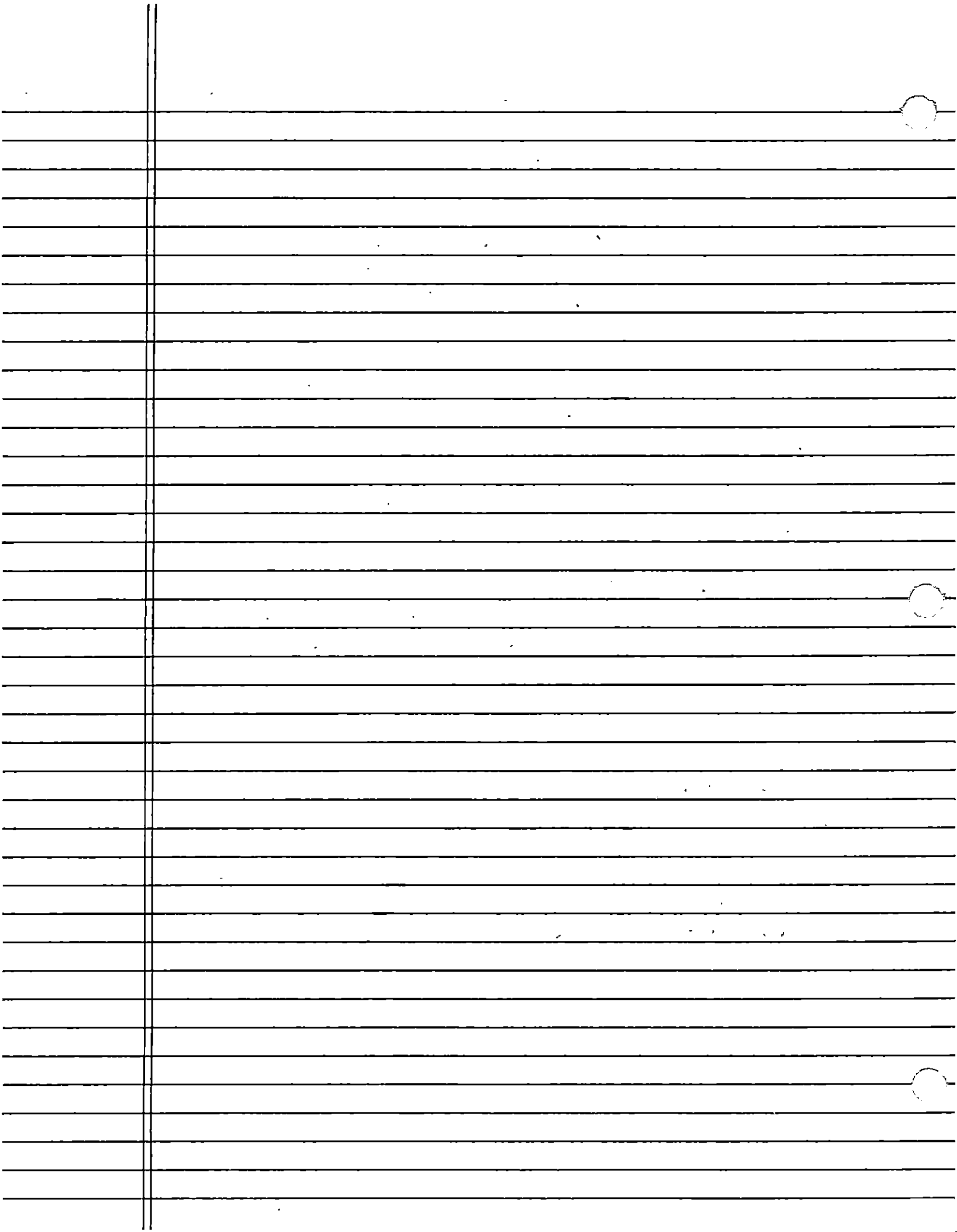
DENVER metro area has frequent poor air quality days  
 that adversely affect asthmatics, babies, and the elderly.

Our neighbors in New Mexico recently passed  
 legislation that directs the state's electrical providers  
 to move to 100% carbon free energy in the next 20 years.

Hawaii & CA have 100% renewable legislation too & we  
 should Colorado.

Without clean air and clean water nothing  
 else matters.

I strongly urge a YES VOTE on this Bill  
 with an eye towards stronger legislation  
 next legislative session.



HB-1261

My name is Neil Allaire, I live in Broomfield. (303-589-5381  
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You've seen and heard much about the effects of climate change in Colorado as well as California and on the East Coast with fires, hurricanes, and the ocean encroaching on Miami and other cities.

Here are some facts from our neighbors in Nebraska after last month's storms:

- 76 out of their 96 counties are receiving disaster aid. Like our 2013 floods, it will take years for them to completely recover. Sadly, some people will never recover.
- Farm families are devastated.
- When I drove through there 2 weeks ago, I-680 and I-29 were still shut down around Omaha and heading down to Kansas.  
The detour going south was 130 miles to Des Moines and use I-35. Think what that does to the economy and small businesses in Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas.
- 2 nuclear power plants depended on sand bags to keep the Missouri River out. This was a repeat of the 2011 floods. 8 years later and they're still depending on sand bags to protect against nuclear disaster.
- Sand bagging efforts at Offutt Air Force Base were overwhelmed by the River. The main runway was 1/3 underwater and there is significant damage to buildings and infrastructure.  
If you don't know, Offutt is the headquarters of the US Strategic Command and it was Under Water!

The cost to families and the economy from Climate Change events like this is astronomical.

The danger to National Security should scare everybody.

And it keeps happening,

And it is worse each time.

It is time for Colorado to step up and do our part. I honestly don't think this bill does enough, quickly enough, but it is a significant start.

Please vote Yes on HB-1261

Testimony For HB19-1261 - Climate Action Plan to Reduce  
I am a resident of Lakewood and am writing Mrs  
Testimony in the Senate hearing room as I am here to  
testify but I don't think my name will be called  
before I need to leave to pick my son up from school.  
I am here to testify ~~and~~ even though I abhor public  
speaking because I think this is the most important  
issue of our time.

HB19-1261 sets important limits to try to combat  
climate change. From things I have read, the limits  
aren't aggressive enough but it is an important  
step.

I know there are people who question the  
validity of human caused climate change. My  
question is, what is the harm in limiting air pollution  
either way? I imagine the response would be that  
there are economic costs to regulations and changes  
that these limits would require. Shifts in economies  
area if new. Social changes often ~~are~~ necessary  
thems from the abolition of slavery and the industrial  
revolution to increased automation and other  
advances in technology. While some industries will  
have economic costs, others will thrive and ~~others~~

Still others may be created.  
The greater good is the bottom line. We need  
to do what we can to protect our environment.

Thank you for considering voting for HB19-1261.

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DAVID

It's gonna be so fun having Laura within driving distance.

RICHARD

I'm not sure fun is the word I would use...

DAVID

What word would you use?

RICHARD

Annoying.

DAVID

Stop. Did she find a place, yet?

RICHARD

Yeah, an apartment in West Hollywood she likes. She wanted Matt to see it before she put down a deposit.

DAVID

Is he going to be visiting that much? Shanghai to Los Angeles is a pretty big flight for a kid to do alone.

RICHARD

Matt's hardly a kid anymore. He's 16.

DAVID

Wow. I don't think I've seen Matt in the flesh since he was like...5, maybe? I think the last time I saw him was at your mom's funeral?

RICHARD

That sounds right.

DAVID

(writing on his checklist)

Ok, so I'll just put Laura and Matt down as arriving sometime this afternoon...and Josh is driving back from camp this morning so he should be home by 3:00...and I think...

(looks up)

I think that's it. Am I forgetting something? I must be forgetting something.

RICHARD

Can I borrow that pad?

**DAVID clutches the pad close to his chest, protective.**

DAVID

Why?

## Testimony by Edith Henke

The increase in fires, tornadoes, floods, hurricanes and the higher ocean levels along our coast due to melting icebergs is a warning from mother Earth that we must pay attention too and act on now. We must begin working towards slowing down the warming trend our planet is experiencing. I hope that the committee will consider changing the 2030 goal to be increased to a 63% reduction in emissions. According to the IPCC report, if this goal was achieved worldwide, we would have a 66% probability of limiting global warming to 1.5 degree C and averting the worst impacts of the climate crisis. The current goals put us on a path to an increase to 2 degree C.

Here is a quote from President Jimmy Carter..."Our dreams are big...our hopes high...our goals long-term...and the path is difficult. But the only failure is not to try." If we do not try to slow down global warming now, we will fail. We cannot fail. We must act now! To those who believe global warming is not caused by humans and the warming of the earth is a natural thing and it is something that we will have to learn to live with...the reality is we may NOT be able to live any longer on this planet. All of our dreams will be extinguished by our stupidity. What if all of our efforts do not help to slow down global warming and we face death anyway...well at least we tried.

Thanks!

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