

A Resolution in Support of State and Federal Actions to Reduce Carbon Emissions while Improving our State’s Economy

WHEREAS fossil-fuel carbon emissions into the atmosphere adversely impact public health, the quality of life, and climate; and

WHEREAS reduction of fossil-fuel carbon emissions is both desirable and feasible; and

WHEREAS reductions in fossil-fuel carbon emissions into the atmosphere should be made in a way that benefits the economy of Washington State; and

WHEREAS the Citizens of Washington State and beyond will benefit from cleaner air and a stronger economy if responsible changes are made to improve stewardship of our environment;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington State Democratic Central Committee recommend to our legislators that legislative actions taken by either State or Federal Legislatures should be shown to both reduce fossil-fuel carbon emissions and improve the Washington State economy; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the WSDCC urge our State and Federal Representatives and Senators to support legislation that is demonstrated to accomplish the following:

1. Reduce global fossil-fuel carbon dioxide emissions
2. Provide economic benefits to our State
3. Enhance energy security and national security
4. Protect and conserve our natural resources (air, water, and land)
5. Protect earth’s ecology for future generations.

Submitted by the Benton County Democratic Central Committee to the WSDCC for consideration at its September 28th, 2019 meeting in Yakima (Date Submitted: September 10th, 2019).

The Resolutions Committee reviewed and amended this resolution and recommended it be passed.