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Comments entered:

A carbon tax is a bad idea and should not be implemented without legislative debate and approval.

Energy costs are a critical part of middle class budgets and such taxes will be a burden on low and middle income residents. Further, it is not known how to alleviate climate change, as mankind has very little knowledge of the myriad causes of climate change.

Any politician who acts unilaterally without consultation with the requisite non-partisan climate experts, appropriate legislative bodies, and citizens will be held to account for his/ her actions. finally, it is highly doubtful that these taxes would be used in the way intended at all. politicians have very creative ways to waste our tax dollars on their pet projects at every turn... why would this be any different?

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

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