Marion County, Oregon

Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

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Honored Chair and Committee Members:

I'm a licensed Private Pilot and resident of Oregon. I would like to comment on the issues being raised in SB 115 and the effect it could have on general aviation in our state. The bill would make it illegal to use, sell or possess any form of leaded aviation fuel after January 1, 2022. The implementation of a penalty phase before the availability of a non-leaded substitute is placing the cart before the horse. The FAA along with many private pilot organizations fully supports the use of non-leaded aviation fuels however, there is still time needed to develop, test and verify such fuels before they can be approved for aviation use. Safety is always at the top of the list when developing new products or procedures for General Aviation.

Please do not pass this bill until there is a viable alternative to leaded aviation fuel.

Thank You.

Sincerely,

Douglas E. Brenizer

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