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Oregon Progressive Party Position on Bill at 2019 Session of Oregon Legislature:

SB 90: Support

Dear Committee:

The Oregon Progressive Party supports this bill, which prohibits restaurants from providing single-use plastic straws to consumers unless they request it.

There appear to be many proposed amendments that would weaken the protection provided by this bill, including one that would preempt any local regulation of plastic straws (such as banning them completely) and one that would limit application of this law only to "full-service restaurants." We urge the Committee to reject those amendments.

Also, the fines provided by SB 90 are far too low.

