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Please include my testimony in the record in support of SB 853 in the 2019 Oregon State session.

The shameful deadly use of toxic chemicals is being pushed by the the chemical industries and the timber industries. From the farms, playgrounds and golf courses to the parks, roadways and forest we are being poisoned by Chlorpyrifos, Neonicotinoids, Round up, 2,4D, atrazine and other cocktails of deadly chemicals. The recent research and legal judgements against the use of these bee killing and human cancer causing poisons is well documented. " On Wednesday, a six-member jury in federal court in San Francisco awarded plaintiff Edwin Hardeman just over \$80 million, including \$75 million in punitive damages, on claims similar to those made by the Pilliods. Specifically the jury awarded past economic loss damages of \$200,967.10, past non-economic loss damages of \$3,066,677, future economic loss damages of \$2 million and punitive damages of \$75 million."

"Exposure to chlorpyrifos can radically alter a child's life direction. Hawaii has already banned chlorpyrifos to protect their people and their pollinators." SB 853 is only a start to arresting a small amount of the chemicals that are causing huge health consequences for our population. Arial spraying drifts into water ways and soaks the earth in poisons. It must be stoped if we are to begin to repair the damage. A yes vote on SB 853 is a start.

Respectfully submitted,

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