TAWNA SANCHEZ STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 43 NORTH AND NORTHEAST PORTLAND



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 8, 2019

Re: HB 2882 - GE Cause of Action

Hello Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee,

I write in support of House Bill 2882, which would create statute to allow a cause of action against a patent holder or a licensed manufacturer of a genetically engineered organism, if that genetically engineered organism is present on a landowner's land without permission. The bill also allows for a right of action to be brought by any member of the public if the genetically engineered organism in question is present on public land.

This bill is an extremely important step towards maintaining the integrity of organic products grown in Oregon, the health of Oregon's organic agricultural businesses, and the overall benefit of the organic marketplace in general.

With Gratitude, Tawna Sanchez

State Representative North and Northeast Portland

