

I support this bill because indirect source review was determined effective in the 70s, and despite what happened in the Reagan years, it still is effective at assessing the cumulative effects of combined sources of pollution. Other states having tougher regulations means we end up buying used dirtier engines. Those engines often gathered and parked near where I lived in North Portland for ten years. During my time there, I was often unable to spend more than a few minutes outside during days when the air was still. I suffered and I saved money. I saved enough to move closer to work, to a pocket of the forest still featuring fresh outdoor air just west of downtown Portland. It is easy to forget the reason I came here because I'm no longer suffering daily. I moved to breathe fresh air. I also bought an electric car. I feel we all need to do more for those who cannot move to one of the shrinking cleaner areas or buy a new car. Dirty, smelly air is detrimental to physical and mental health as well as emotional well being. I know our state could be so much greener and our air cleaner. We need a good study because, though logic tells us pollutants tend to collect in certain areas due to land mass and air current behavior, it isn't hard data. Please look closely at how much air pollution we have and exactly where it collects instead of heading for the hills like I did.