

I'm writing in support of HB 3372. Laws must be changed so that the DEQ can deny permits to any applicant/application deemed not within our legal public health and environmental standards. Without the passage of HB 3372, the DEQ is not able to effectively do the job that citizens and taxpayers want (and expect) the agency to do: to stop polluters whose practices endanger human and environmental health. The DEQ needs to have the legal right to deny permits, revoke permits, etc. Without this ability to enforce laws through the denial of permits, the DEQ is currently unable to protect us in the manner we expect. Please pass this bill and fulfill the mandate of Cleaner Air Oregon and give DEQ authority to do their job and enforce the rules.