

Dear Chair Patterson and Members of the Committee,

I strongly support the option of using natural organic reduction, and have instructed my family that this is my wish (when my time comes).

Currently it would be burdensome for my family to have me transported to Washington, the only state I know of with this option, so it would be awesome if it was available in Oregon.

There is far too much earth devoted to grave sites, and too much pollution generated by cremation (not to mention quite a bit of energy expended).

I would also like you to consider that, until quite recently, natural burial was the only option. I believe it was during the civil war that embalming originated - and what a horror that is for the environment!

If this natural option was available, I believe many more people would choose it.

Thank you for your consideration, and I hope you will support this important legislation.

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