

Dear Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee,

I, Barbara Allen, am pleased to offer my support for HB 2574. This legislation would allow a natural disposition of remains by natural organic reduction (NOR), gently converting human remains into soil in an accelerated process.

Embalming and cremation are horrible for both the environment and death care workers. Humanity is long past due for a healthy update in death care, and NOR is a huge step in the right direction.

Oregonians are looking for more sustainable death care options. HB 2574 would create an additional option for death care practice that is more environmentally-friendly and sustainable. For the above reasons, I ask for your support of this important legislation.

Sincerely,

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