

**Testimony to the Senate Committee on Energy and the Environment
On HB 4057**

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Founded in 1968, the Oregon Environmental Council (OEC) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, membership-based organization. We advance innovative, collaborative and equitable solutions to Oregon's environmental challenges for today and future generations.

Oregon Environmental Council supports HB 4057.

This legislation will allow Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE) to adopt efficiency standards for landscape irrigation sprinkler system devices. At a time when agricultural irrigators are being asked to increase on-farm irrigation efficiencies to reduce water consumption, it is entirely appropriate to ask the same of urban landscapes.

HB 4057 requires all sprinklers made and installed after January 2023 to meet EPA [WaterSense](#) program product specifications. Adopting these standards for new spray sprinklers will reduce the misting and overspray commonly seen in urban landscaping. Known as pressure regulated sprinklers, these devices use an internal pressure regulator that significantly reduces both energy and water consumption, thus conserving water and energy while reducing utility costs to property owners.

Oregon is the only state on the West Coast that has not adopted efficiency standards for spray sprinklers. Seven other states have already adopted these standards. Adding Oregon to the list is an energy smart and water wise decision.

OEC asks this committee to support HB 4057.