



February 17, 2022

To: Chair Smith Warner, Vice Chair Breese-Iverson, Vice Chair Fahey, and Members of the House Rules Committee

From: Jordan Rooklyn, Talent City Manager

Re: **Support House Bill 4158**

HB 4158 provides an urgent short-term technical fix to Oregon's E-Cycles Program. The bill allows DEQ to change the projected goal of materials estimated to come into the program in 2022 and retain existing collection sites that are being dropped from the program on March 1, 2022.

I am concerned about the following:

- With the closure of the largest site in Jackson County, will the remaining sites be able to safely accommodate the increased traffic of additional eWaste recycling?
- By eliminating collection sites, electronics recycling becomes increasingly inconvenient for the public in crucial areas, which may increase the likelihood of these materials being improperly disposed of in our natural environment, and in our landfills.
- When changes are made to the existing collection infrastructure, it will often take years for the general public to get up to speed, which suggests that maintaining consistency in the services made available to the public is imperative.

Thank you for your consideration. I urge your support for HB 4158

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