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As a citizen and a life-long resident of Oregon, I support the passage of SB543. Polystyrene packaging creates a huge amount of mostly unrecyclable waste that will sit in landfills forever IF it even gets to a landfill. We all have seen Styrofoam all over the place, and it doesn't biodegrade. There are better alternatives to use and they are proposed in this bill.

In addition, polystyrene is a carcinogen and should not be in contact with food:
[https://www.worldcentric.com/polystyrene/#:~:text=The%20EPA%20recognizes%20s,tyrene%20\(the,Agency%20for%20Research%20on%20Cancer.](https://www.worldcentric.com/polystyrene/#:~:text=The%20EPA%20recognizes%20s,tyrene%20(the,Agency%20for%20Research%20on%20Cancer.)

Thank you for taking the time to consider the effects of polystyrene on the planet and on your constituents. Please support SB543.