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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure: HB2396

Dear House Committee on Climate, Energy, and Environment --

There are significant concerns about Air Quality throughout much of Oregon. Multnomah County has abysmally low Air Quality, above and beyond the impact of seasonal wildfires. Being positioned along the I-5 Interstate corridor is only part of the problem.

I strongly encourage support of HB 2396:

- To gain a fuller understanding of the multi-dimensional problem-space of Air Pollution throughout the state
- To develop a comprehensive approach regulating direct and/or indirect sources of diesel and other pollutants

Air Quality is a key concern for public health, in particular respiratory illness, as well as cancer and other ailments.

As the State continues to grow, there is the associated impact of increased construction, in turn associated with increased pollution.

To adapt the wisdom of planting a tree to this situation:

"The best time to implement a program of control is 20 years ago. The second best time is now."

Thank you for giving this your attention.

Regards...

-- Paul Henerlau