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I am in opposition to the House Bill 3119. Three feet from my front door runs Powell Boulevard also known as US Highway 26. There are limited street trees and no lawns. This is a cement corridor for trucking and transportation. The only unloading site for Portland by rail is just down the street. In the next block is Powell Park-a relatively small park which has the Cleveland High School baseball diamond. Several small basketball courts with hoops for neighborhood pick-up games is located here, as well. Across this intersection is Cleveland High School. Frequently students eat lunch at Powell Park, or walk to their separate site for football and track located just 6 blocks east on Powell Boulevard. There is no major vegetation here to clean the air or make the air more breathable. The majority of trucks drive Powell Boulevard and don't think much of what exhaust is doing to the health of its youngest citizens or to those who live along this gritty, exhaust-filled thoroughfare. I have severe asthma and am a lifelong non-smoker and I live here, too. Sunny, summer days without a breeze and during winter temperature inversions means that some city residents are over exposed to dirty diesel trucks. It's time that these trucks are regulated and regulated now. I support the Advanced Clean Trucking act and oppose any delays to its implementation. Again, I oppose HB 3119.