



**January 30, 2025**

**Please Support House Bill 3119**

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Chair Lively, Vice Chairs Gamba and Levy, and Members of the Committee:

Our organizations represent the best of Oregon agriculture – from cattle and wheat to dairy and timber – we’re proud to stand with our members in support of House Bill 3119.

On January 1, Oregon's Advanced Clean Truck Rules went into effect and will begin to phase out diesel-powered semi-trucks, RVs, tow trucks, heavy-duty pickup trucks like F-250s and 350s, box trucks, and more. But with President Trump's executive order promising to rescind EV mandates, the future remains uncertain, causing chaos and confusion among Oregonians, Oregon businesses, and our farmers and ranchers. Oregonians need certainty now.

Why do we continue to mandate the adoption of technology that isn't ready for primetime?

Oregon’s farmers and ranchers don’t want their cost of living to continue to increase because of more unnecessary regulations.

Supporting HB 3119 aligns with the interests of Oregon farmers and ranchers for several reasons:

**Economic Feasibility:** The current market for zero-emission heavy-duty vehicles is still developing. Delaying the ACT regulations provides time for the market to mature, leading to more affordable and reliable options for farmers and ranchers. This postponement allows agricultural businesses to plan and budget for future investments in new equipment without facing immediate financial strain.

**Infrastructure Readiness:** The widespread adoption of zero-emission vehicles requires substantial infrastructure, such as charging stations, which are severely limited. There is only ONE public charging station in Oregon, and it's estimated that there are only 14 in the entire United States. A delay grants time for the necessary infrastructure to be developed, ensuring that farmers and ranchers have access to the resources needed to operate zero-emission vehicles effectively.

**Technological Maturation:** Zero-emission vehicle technology, particularly for heavy-duty applications, is rapidly evolving. A delay allows for further advancements, resulting in more efficient and reliable vehicles that better meet the demanding needs of agricultural operations.

**Supply Chain Stability:** The current supply chain for zero-emission vehicles and their components is constrained, leading to limited availability and potentially higher costs. Postponing the implementation of the ACT regulations provides time for the supply chain to stabilize, ensuring that farmers and ranchers can procure the necessary equipment without facing shortages or inflated prices.

**Alignment with Federal Standards:** Delaying the ACT regulations allows Oregon to align its policies with federal standards, reducing regulatory complexity for farmers and ranchers who operate across state lines. This alignment can prevent potential conflicts and ensure a more straightforward compliance process.

Supporting HB 3119 offers Oregon farmers and ranchers a more practical timeline to transition to zero-emission vehicles, considering economic, infrastructural, technological, and regulatory factors. Please join us in support of this bill and delay the Advanced Clean Trucks rule.

Thank you.

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Columbia Gorge Fruit Growers  
Oregon Cattlemen's Association  
Oregon Dairy Farmers Association  
Oregon Farm Bureau  
Oregon Forest Industries Council  
Oregon Seed Council  
Oregon Small Woodlands Association  
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