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As someone who regularly attends events and helps organize events at Portland International Raceway (PIR) I have seen firsthand what a positive impact this track makes. There is so much negativity about Oregon and specifically Portland, it's great to have a place like PIR that people come to from all around the USA and globally to change that perception. Did you know that Thursday Night Motocross is the longest-running Motocross event in the USA and thousands of people attend every year at PIR? They won't anymore if this ban occurs and that's just one example of the impact this will have.

I absolutely oppose banning the use of leaded gasoline at PIR. If lead is such a health concern why does this bill only apply to populations of 500,000 or more? Don't people that live in populations smaller than that matter too? The reason is the author has singled out PIR, the biggest track in Oregon and the one that brings in millions of dollars of revenue to the county, city and state through it's yearly events. If lead is such a concern why aren't we banning PDX and other nearby airports because we all know that aviation fuel contains lead. There are so many sources of lead, how do you say 100% that it is coming from PIR? You are willing to lose so much due to a guess or a hunch that is coming from PIR without the proper studies?

People come from all over to participate, watch and volunteer at PIR. The positives outweigh the non-measurable effects of leaded fuel at PIR and from other nearby sources. Seems like it has more to do with vendetta against PIR and not actual facts. Please Vote No for House Bill 2738.