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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB726

To: The Senate Committee on Energy and Environment

Re: SB 726

These comments are informed by my conviction that Climate Change (#1) and Land Use (#2) are the most urgent challenges we face in our quest to leave a livable, abundant Oregon for future generations. Until we commit to dramatically reducing the amount of solid waste we produce, landfills are a necessity. Methane leaks are one of the very most potent causes of climate change. Methane leaks are not a necessity and are one of the most consequential negative side effect of landfills which heretofore have not been adequately monitored or regulated. HB 726 is intended to rectify this situation by using commercially available drones along with available advanced monitoring technologies to ensure adequate data to help both the EPA and our DEQ fulfill their regulatory obligations. To guarantee the aforementioned livable, abundant future for Oregon we need, first and foremost, clean air, clean water and rich clean soil. I urge you to pass SB 726 as one important step toward that goal.

Thank you for your service and for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,
Sarah Deumling