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On Behalf Of:

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Environment

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Topic:

HB2679

Good people,

I have been a resident and business owner in southern Oregon for over 35 years.

URGE YOU TO SUPPORT HB 2679 TO PROTECT POLLINATORS AND WILDLIFE

- 1. Oregon must join 12 other states in restricting neonicotinoids! This bill keeps harmful pesticides away from untrained users and out of retail stores to protect pollinators and our communities.
- 2. Protect Oregon's Pollinators! Neonicotinoids play a major role in colony collapse of our delicate pollinator populations. These pesticides impairs pollinators' ability to forage, reproduce, and navigate, putting Oregon's food systems and ecosystems at risk.
- 3. Neonicotinoids contaminate waterways! These pesticides are highly water soluble and toxic to fish and aquatic life. Restricting the use of neonicotinoids reduces harmful runoff and protect our waterways.

All life is connected, and it is everone's responsibility to make sure everyone; people, plants, wildlife, insects etc. have good health.

Thank you, Kari Rein