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As a gardener on the North Oregon Coast for over 20 years, I have seen a decrease in the bee population in my yard. Although I personally do not use any sort of pesticides, I know my neighbors do. I have been an OSU Master Gardener since 2002, and when we advise clients, we are obligated to inform them of alternative methods of pest control (Integrated Pest Management or IPM) as well as pesticides approved by the state. By adding the neonic pesticides to the "do not use list" we will be giving our bee populations a fighting chance.

I encourage you to pass House Bill 2679 to protect our native pollinators.

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