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| On Behalf Of: | |
| Committee: | House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment |
| Measure, Appointment or Topic: | HB2679 |

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

I am writing to support HB 2679, which puts limits on the use of pesticides that have some neonicotinoids in them and would prohibit the application of these pesticides in residential landscapes. Oregon should 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. Neonicotinoids play a major role in colony collapse of our delicate pollinator populations. These pesticides impair pollinators' ability to forage, reproduce, and navigate, putting Oregon's food systems and ecosystems at risk.

Please pass this bill out of committee.

Sincerely, Phillip Callaway Crawfordsville, OR