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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1067

Chair and Members of the Senate Energy and Environment Committee:

I wholeheartedly support SB 1067. Though the problem of "Where do we take our solid waste?" certainly exists, I believe the more important problem is "how do we reduce the amount of waste" we produce as individuals, households, businesses and governments. SB 1067 would give smaller jurisdictions, individual cities, the option of thinking creatively as to how they want to meet the statewide (and worldwide) challenge of our solid waste problem. We are long overdue to seriously consider all the possible ways to reduce, reuse and recycle of which there are already many existing examples in the world. SB 1067 is an excellent first step toward the implementation, step by step, of an exemplary Zero Waste Program in Salem which will have financial, environmental and actual health benefits for all of us.

I urge you to move this small but important bill forward so Salem can get to work.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sarah Deumling