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Chair Bowman and the Honorable Members of the House Committee on Rules:

The League of Women Voters of Lane County supports HB 3971. Based on our research conducted as far back as 1972, since updated, we support solid waste management policies that promote source reduction, resource recovery and recycling, and preserve air and water quality. We believe that HB 3971 aims to fulfill this aspiration.

Lane County's *CleanLane*, a public-private recycling project, needs this legislative action to allow for the building of a facility that will capture climate damaging methane under supportive land use laws. By diverting thousands of tons of trash the lifespan of our landfill will be extended by decades. Reducing atmosphere-damaging gas emissions from public landfills should be an important consideration in furtherance of our climate change mitigation efforts and goals.

We thank you for your full consideration of HB 3971 and the significant long term value it represents.

Sincerely,

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