

Testimony in Support of HB 4086
Rep. Bobby Levy
House District 58

Chair Nguyen, Vice-Chairs Isadore and Skarlatos, and members of the committee,

For the record, my name is Bobby Levy and I serve as the State Representative for House District 58. I am writing in support of HB 4086.

As background, I had the opportunity to travel to Denmark to tour one of the most successful industrial symbiosis networks in the world. What I saw there fundamentally changed how I think about economic development. Facilities that once treated waste as a liability are now treating it as an asset. One company's byproduct becomes another company's raw material. Energy, water, and resources are reused efficiently. Jobs are created. Costs are reduced. Communities thrive.

That is exactly the model HB 4086 begins to build here in Oregon.

This bill recognizes something important: industrial symbiosis requires coordination. It requires mapping waste streams. It requires engineering analysis. And it requires initial capital and technical support to make the connections happen. HB 4086 provides that structure.

HB 4086 positions our state to lead in innovative, resource-efficient economic development while strengthening all of our economies.

I respectfully urge your support of HB 4086.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bobby Levy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Bobby" on the top line and "Levy" on the bottom line, though the lines are connected.