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From: Lisa Manning <pokman3@earthlink.net>
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To: ORielly Patti
Subject: SB 5520~DEQ~YES!

Dear Ways and Means Sub-Committee,

Our Department of Environmental Quality in Oregon is a joke! This organization was created to help protect our air, water and soil

quality in our state, but it cannot because it is hugely underfunded!

As a person who has lived for 20 years smelling toxic paint fumes from Daimler Trucks on Swan Island in Portland, and has reported dozens of odor complaints over the years, I've come to regard the DEQ as a useless organization. I have also learned that the DEQ does not have the resources to implement a requirement for best and highest practicable treatment to control odorous emissions, despite the fact that for 15 years a rule requiring this has existed! So what is the point of having rules to protect our health, if we have no money to enforce them?

I ask all the people on the committee to live on property next to facilities that have toxic emissions for 20 years, and tell me that you feel safe!

This is a huge issue for the livability of our state. If permit fees are increased for industries they will be able to pay them. Maybe the companies that reduce their pollution should get a fee break! If we don't put money into cleaning up the state no one will want to live here, and the \$28 million in health care costs related to asthma alone will continue to rise.

Thank you for your serious consideration of this issue, and please grant the 20% fee increase for the DEQ's ACDP Program!

Sincerely,
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