



# Slow Food PORTLAND

*Supporting Good, Clean and Fair Food*

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To: Rep. Val Hoyle, Chair and Committee Members  
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Re: HB 4100  
Date: February 10, 2014

Slow Food Portland, a member of Slow Food USA and Slow Food International, urges the House Committee on Rules to bring HB 4100 forward to result in a vote by the people of Oregon.

We strongly support HB 4100 and believe that everyone has the right to know how their food is produced and what is in it. As an organization dedicated to supporting good, clean and fair food for all, we are concerned that genetically engineered foods represent an increased use of pesticides, resulting in health risks for those working in food production, degradation of the environment, and unknown consequences to those who eat genetically engineered foods.

HB4100 represents freedom of choice and is a public policy issue. Please respect the right of eaters (all people) in Oregon to have the knowledge to make their own decisions on what they put on their plates for themselves and their families. Allow a public vote on the policy of labeling genetically engineered foods in Oregon.