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Dear Chair Hoyle and members of the committee,

The vast majority of Oregonians support labeling foods that include genetically engineered ingredients and I urge you to support HB 4100 and give voters the opportunity to weigh in on this important issue.

The right to know is a long, rich history in our state. Pioneers first came to live in Oregon to pursue their dreams and live the lives that they choose. In the spirit of this rich tradition, every Oregonian has an inalienable right to know what's in the food we eat and we deserve the personal freedom to decide what we want to feed our children and families.

Too many large food companies are not acting with honesty and transparency when they fight consumer demand that they label foods with GMOs.

It's our food and it should be our choice what we want to eat.

But we need to know.

This bill is not a ban on GMOs, it's simply an opportunity to give people information they want. Just as we label sodium content for those who want to avoid salt and we label calories for those who are watching their weight.

Thank you for your support of HB 4100 and for your continued service to our state!

Best Regards,

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