Raszka Shelley

From: Gallagher Chuck

Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2015 6:51 AM

To: Raszka Shelley

Subject: FW: Bills before your committee

From: Jean Powers [mailto:jandj318@comcast.net]

Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2015 2:30 AM

To: Gallagher Chuck

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This is a re-send, as I typed your address incorrectly on the original message.

Thank you for receiving my message, and best wishes with the work before you today.

Sincerely,

Jean Powers

From: Jean Powers < <u>jandj318@comcast.net</u>> **Date:** March 25, 2015 at 9:49:44 PM HST

To: "Rep.BradWitt@state.or.us" <Rep.BradWitt@state.or.us>, "chuch.gallagher@state.or.us"

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Subject: Bills before your committee

Dear Representative Witt and Administrator Gallagher,

I understand you have several bills coming before your committee regarding pesticide use in Oregon. I strongly support all three bills submitted by Representative Holvey on this issue, and I urge you to support them:

HB 3123 which bans the application of pesticides by air.

HB 3482 which establishes reporting requirements for government and commercial application of pesticides.

HB 2589 which bans the use of neonicotinoid pesticides in Oregon. Neonicotinoids are chemicals that are highly toxic to animal life. Studies show that birds and invertebrates, including bees, are adversely affected by these chemicals. Neonicotinoids are systemic, and they persist in our environment.

Thank you for your service to our State,

Jean Powers Beaverton, Oregon