



**TO:** Members of the House Committee on Healthcare

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Please include these comments "for the record" of the hearing on **SB 824**.

**Dear Chair Greenlick & Members of the Committee:**

**WC CAN** has been a collaborator with **Neighbors for Clean Air** on a wide variety of clean air issues from "dirty diesel" to Intel's undisclosed emissions to pollution created by lead based general aviation fuel. Last session we joined the successful bi-partisan effort to regulate composting fumes aka "stop the stink" from North Plains to Wilsonville.

But the health hazard posed by "dirty diesel" is a "clear and present" danger to thousands of K-12 children in Oregon who ride buses to school each day and/or to after school events. As a kid who grew up in Roseburg riding such buses I know dirty diesel fumes by experience! It is also a generic "public health hazard" on the roads and highways of Oregon to all Oregonians but especially to those with respiratory issues, including myself.

We must end the importing of dirty diesel vehicles from California!

We have the technological means to end this health hazard, what has been lacking is the political will to take action. Thanks to Representative Greenlick and Senator Dembrow with whom WC CAN has been working on this issue since 2014 we have the leadership to make this a major environmental issue in this session.

**Please pass HB 3310...**

Respectfully,  
Russ Dondero