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Subject: Opposing HB 2509

State senator(s);

I oppose the proposed HB2509 due to its faulty logic in presuming traditional and organic farming practices can co-exist with genetically engineered practices; places a blind eye to the real economic damage that has been done, and will continue to be done to traditional growers; grants funding to OSU who maintains a profound bias in promoting GMO information; gives mediation powers to the Oregon Dept. of Agriculture which similarly has demonstrated bias towards defending GMO farming practices. HB 2509 is a large step backwards from state of Oregon's proud history of progressive environmentalism and the burgeoning movement of sustainable farming practices.

Please join me in opposing this poorly thought out legislation.

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