

I am writing to request that you support HB 2469. I am depending on local farmers to provide food for me, my family and community that is far enough from GMO crops to be as organic as possible. A 2015 article in National Geographic gives sufficient information about the glyphosphate component of Round Up to seriously question and be alarmed by the long term effects of this chemical especially on the healthy bacteria in the human gut which is the basis of our immune system defense.

<http://news.nationalgeographic.com/2015/04/150422-glyphosate-roundup-herbicide-weeds/>

Numerous countries have either banned it, or are seriously considering how to control the extent of its use. The majority of the testing has been by the company creating the product. For our Organic Oregon farmers whose livelihood depends on pure uncontaminated seed and produce, the consequences of contamination by GMO crops is devastating.

Thank you,

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