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As a propane dealers who must comply with the **OSFM Community Right to Know program**, and on behalf of our propane industrial/agricultural customers with over 250-gallon tanks, we oppose SB 995 and HB 2669.

HB 2669 and SB 995 would create duplicative programs that are unnecessary for propane and overbroad. They are a consequence of the situations created by Bullseye Glass, Precision Castparts and other such manufacturers:

[http://www.oregonlive.com/environment/index.ssf/2016/02/bullseye\\_uroboros\\_chromium\\_he.html](http://www.oregonlive.com/environment/index.ssf/2016/02/bullseye_uroboros_chromium_he.html).

## **Too Broad**

The bills pull in many chemicals that have been faithfully reported for decades under the Community Right to Know program run by the State Fire Marshal's Office.

## **PROPANE IS NOT THE PROBLEM**

- Propane is registered by the federal government as a clean fuel.
- Propane usually dissipates in the air when it is released as a gas.
- Propane does not pollute groundwater or the environment.
- Propane is not a "biopersistent substance" as defined in HB 2669, yet it would be included in the higher fees and increased reporting burden.

**HB 2669 should focus on biopersistent substances rather than pulling in other reporters.**

**SB 269 creates a new program with DEQ which is duplicative and conflicts with OSFM's current Community Right to Know program.**

## **Unnecessary**

Local communities can create their own community right to know programs now if they like, constructing them to their own specifications. Under HB 2669, every local program would have to use the same template.

The Pacific Propane Gas Association opposes both bills and **asks for a NO vote!**

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