

## **TESTIMONY**

## **House Energy and Environment Committee**

**April 9, 2017** 

## HB 2404 and the -2 amendment

Chair Helm and Members of the Committee:

The Oregon Farm Bureau Federation (OFB) appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony today regarding HB 2404. As a reference, OFB is the state's largest grassroots agriculture association, representing 7,000 families actively engaged in farming and ranching.

OFB values public health, and our farmers work daily to ensure they are good stewards of the land they manage. Many of our farmers have rental homes on their farms and would be required to test and report under this legislation. We have worked over the past year with the Oregon Environmental Council to address the concerns we expressed with this concept in the 2016 session. We appreciate their willingness to work on this bill and are neutral on the -2 amendments to HB 2404.

Please contact Mary Anne Nash at <a href="maryanne@oregonfb.org">maryanne@oregonfb.org</a> with any questions.