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As an Oregon voter, I urge you to support passage of HB 2739 to protect Oregon's farmers from economic damages due to GE contamination. Please send this bill to the House floor with a "do pass" recommendation.

Oregon farmers supporting their families by growing valuable non-GE crops (like organic seed), or landowners who have been infested by hard-to-eradicate GE creeping bentgrass, should not bear the burden of contamination by GE crops, plants, and animals.

HB 2739 would rightfully put the liability for economic damages due to GE contamination on the patent holder for the GE organism, not farmers, holding the Big Ag players who created and profited from these GE crops accountable. It was the patent holder corporations that ELECTED to choose to modify the male side rather than the female side of the affected organisms, thus ensuring the spread of the modified genes through the disbursement of plant pollen. We see that conscious decision as a form of ECONOMIC ASSAULT against farm managers who elect to not utilize GMO varieties.

THANK YOU for protecting Oregonians and rural economies by supporting this important bill.

Very Sincerely,

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