

Chair Lews and honorable members of the Joint Ways and Means Sub Committee on Natural Resources. I am Jennifer Jones, Eastside Portland Air Coalition member, Precision CastParts neighbor and mother to 2 children who spent 12 school years in the Bullseye Glass air shed.

Thank you for this opportunity to return and give my testimony in support of HB 2269

There seems to be a lot of confusion about the additional costs to fund Cleaner Air Oregon in HB 2269. Perhaps my learned understanding from the lay persons point of view will help clear some of that up. Fees are reviewed and increased periodically to meet state needs, and this is only a one time fee that benefits the entire state of Oregon.

Let's start with the governor's request for additional funding for air permitting in 2016. The requested amount came from the general fund. That's 2.5 million dollars of taxpayer funded money. Let's call that the "community investment"

Now let's look at Industry contributions via The ONE TIME Supplemental Assessment fees. The **average one time** fee is less than \$434. Please remember this is a ONE TIME FEE that is only a 16% increase from their regular fee.

If someone here is telling you that they can't support "unknown fees," then they need to pay closer attention to the fee schedule. Because this widely accessible spreadsheet has every possibility laid out. If they know what their budgeted 2017 fees are, then they know EXACTLY what their ONE TIME fee will be, and it's an additional 16%.

For example, if I'm a Dry Cleaner, my 2017 permit fee will be \$288, so I know I will be assessed a ONE TIME fee of \$46. And that is so the Department of Environmental quality can do the work that I pay them to do as a business owner and the work I pray they will do as a citizen.

Let's talk Title V for a moment. If an industry is emitting the maximum legal allowance of 100 tons per year of pollutant * That ONE TIME fee could be as much as \$9490. For perspective, one case of asthma (and Oregon has some of the highest incidences of Asthma) costs Oregon Taxpayers \$5,300 a year.**

The total of these ONE TIME fees will make up a little less than 1.9 million dollars, let's call this the "industry investment"

If you've been keeping up with me you'll remember the community investment was 2.5 million and you'll be comparing that to the industry investment of 1.9 million.

I think it's fair in our commitment to the health of Oregonians, to ask the industries, who are making the profits, to contribute less than half to the assurance that they aren't poisoning their neighbors in the pursuit of that profit.

Any misleading information you receive from those that oppose 2269 using intentionally subversive language such as "unknown fees" or "job losses" is purely a dramatic scare tactic from those who are paid and not from community stakeholders.

I urge you to support HB 2269 and Cleaner Air Oregon.

*Epa. Gov : "The major source threshold for any air pollutant is 100 tons/year (this is the "default value")."

**Conservative Current Costs for treating asthma, heart attacks, alzheimers, cancer and pulmonary disorders

\$3,100 per asthma patient per year

\$760,000 per person for least severe heart attack

\$287,000 per alzheimer patient for 5 years of treatment

\$74,212 average cost per cancer patient

\$5,307 per person per year for pulmonary disorders

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