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Honored Chair and Committee Members,

As a private pilot and aircraft owner, I would like to comment on SB 115 and its effect on piston aviation in Oregon. The bill makes it illegal to use, sell, or possess any form of leaded aviation fuel after January 1, 2022. I feel this solves a problem that does not actually exist and will financially harm the piston aviation community that has no control over the availability of a non-leaded option for aircraft fuel as of that date.

While Avgas has not been demonstrated to have any significant effect on lead levels in Oregon children, pilots and the FAA are cooperating to implement a lead free alternative to Avgas. Will the alternative be ready by 2022? If it is not, then this bill will harm a vast segment of Oregon businesses and communities through no fault of their own. It will instantly ground aircraft used in agriculture, search and rescue, firefighting, and more.

Please do not punish the piston aviation community by passing this premature bill. When unleaded Avgas is available in the future, that would be the time to make the sale and possession of leaded gas illegal. I request that you do not pass this bill at this time.

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