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Oregon State Legislature Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources February 15, 2017 Hearing SB 115, 3 pm, Hearing Room C

Honored Chair and Committee Members,

I am opposed to the passage of SB 115 which prohibits selling, dispensing or using aviation fuel that contains lead or lead compounds after January 1, 2022.

Although it is agreed there is a need to change from a leaded aircraft fuel to an unleaded fuel, passing a law to prohibit the sale and use of leaded fuel would put the state in a precarious position if an alternative is not available by January 1, 2022. Aircraft needing this fuel would be grounded and businesses damaged through no fault of their own.

Passing this bill after an alternative becomes available makes sense. Passing it now does not.

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