

February 8, 2018

RE: OLCV Testimony on SB 1509

Dear Chair Dembrow and Committee Members:

Twenty-three counties in Oregon have diesel pollution above Oregon's health benchmark. Idling trucks and buses contribute to Oregon's diesel pollution problem and must be addressed.

The most effective way to reduce idling is by lifting the state preemption on local idling laws. Localities know where idling problems exist and how best to tailor programs to meet the needs of their communities.

The idea outlined in SB 1509 has potential for pollution reduction. If a locality adopts an ordinance and can afford to pay for signage, it may reduce idling around these four types of facilities.

Sincerely,

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