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**Representative Ken Helm, Chair**  
House Committee on Energy and Environment  
Oregon State Capitol  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

**RE: Association of Oregon Recyclers (AOR) Supports HB 4126**

**Chair Helm and Members of the Committee:**

AOR supports HB 4126, the product stewardship bill for responsible management of household hazardous waste after acceptance of proposed amendments detailed in the -4 version. The -4 version clarifies full funding for collections, which include local governments and private and nonprofits organizations acting on behalf of local governments.

Household hazardous wastes come in many forms and are attributed to harmful effects on human health and the environment. These materials can specifically be harmful to our most vulnerable residents, our children, and exposure to workers that handle municipal solid waste through collection and landfill.

When not managed properly, household hazardous wastes can pollute our water and air and HB 4126 will result in a more convenient hazardous waste program that will increase public safety and health and environmental quality for Oregonians.

The AOR Vision Statement reads as follows: The Association of Oregon Recyclers is committed to achieving a system of sustainable materials management by supporting high-quality recycling and composting, thoughtful consumption, and producer responsibility. HB 4126 directly aligns with a sustainable system of materials management through producer responsibility.

AOR urges your support with this important piece of legislation.

Sincerely,

Association of Oregon Recyclers, Board Chair