



February 14, 2018

House Energy and Environment Committee

Re: HB 4126 – Household Hazardous Waste Stewardship Program

Chair Helm, Vice-Chair Power, Vice-Chair Reschke, and members of the committee:

Recology appreciates the opportunity to submit testimony in support of HB 4126, which would create a statewide household hazardous waste stewardship program.

Recology is an integrated resource recovery company that has operations around the state, operating material recovery sites, transfer stations, compost facilities and providing regional residential and commercial hauling services. Recology promotes recycling, composting, and other waste-reduction programs to minimize the amount of materials sent to landfills.

We support the efforts to create new mechanisms for keeping household hazardous waste out of the waste stream. Passage of bills such as HB 4126 will encourage proper disposal of hazardous materials, which is positive for Oregon residents, the environment and our employees.

We support efforts like HB 4126 when it can bring together the various partners in the industry to ensure a functional and effective program.

Thank you for your consideration of our input on behalf of HB 4126.

Sincerely,

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