



January 30, 2019

House Committee on Energy and Environment
Oregon State Capitol
900 Court St. NE, HR D
Salem, OR 97301

RE: Support for HB 2772

Dear Chair Helm and Members of the Committee:

The City of Hillsboro supports HB 2772, which will help protect public health and environmental quality by increasing the collection, handling and disposal of hazardous materials.

HB 2772 is aligned with the City of Hillsboro's goals related to environmental protection broadly and the reduction of exposure to hazardous materials specifically. As compared with other parts of the Metro region, Hillsboro residents have a more difficult time properly disposing of household hazardous wastes because our area lacks facilities that other parts of our region enjoy. We believe this legislation addresses household hazardous waste more holistically and further 'up stream' and thus is an important step to reduce environmental and human exposure to these materials.

There are successful programs that have followed this model. Both Oregon E-Cycles and PaintCare have demonstrated how engaging producers of source materials can successfully provide a means for end-of-use materials to reach their proper disposition, thereby protecting the land, water and air resources in our community.

Thank you for considering this testimony. We urge your support.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Peter Brandom'.

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