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Chair Helm and members of the House Committee on Energy and Environment,

Please support and strengthen HB 2007.

Cleaner Air Oregon was a step forward in regulating poisons emitted to the air we breathe. But there was a glaring omission: it did not include mobile sources of air toxics such as diesel particulate in cumulative risk assessments.

HB2007 addresses this omission through the establishment of emission standards for medium and heavy-duty trucks.

Public health officials are well aware that diesel exhaust causes or contributes to asthma, heart and lung diseases, and cancer. This is particularly concerning for children attending schools along the I-5 corridor.

We need emission standards for trucks and buses. Oregon is following California's lead, but two steps behind. The 2029 deadline for compliance is too long. Align with California's 2023 deadline.

Best regards,
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