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**From:** Barbara Comnes <barbara.comnes@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 25, 2019 2:31 PM  
**To:** SENR Exhibits  
**Subject:** SB 853

Dear Senators:

I support SB 853. I am writing to urge you to do so, as well.

Senate Bill 853 would ban the use of chlorpyrifos, a toxic nerve agent pesticide proven to cause brain damage in children, contaminate waterways and harm wildlife. It would also restrict the use of bee-killing neonicotinoids to licensed professionals only, thus removing them from store shelves. The bill would make it easier for affected agricultural interests to get the training they need by reducing certification costs while also increasing the annual fee paid by pesticide manufacturers.

This is all very positive for the citizenry of Oregon, our environment, and our agricultural workers. Please support SB 853.

Sincerely,  
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