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Subject: HB 3058

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To: House Committee on Agriculture and Land Use

From: Anna Cassilly Talent, OR

Re: HB 3058

## Honorable Representatives -

I am writing to ask you support of HB 3058. This bill would add neonicotinoids to Oregon's list of Restricted Use Pesticides and prohibits the sale, purchase or use of chlorpyrifos pesticides.

Chlorpyrifos is a neurotoxic pesticide that is very harmful to children, pregnant women, farmworkers, wildlife and beneficial insects. The EPA was ordered by federal courts to ban this dangerous pesticide from use on food crops. We cannot wait for action at the federal level. We must act now to protect all Oregonians, as well as the ecosystems that sustain us.

Neonicotinoids are highly toxic to bees, beneficial insects, fish and birds. There is also mounting evidence\* that neonicotinoids may be associated with congenital heart defects, neural tube defects, and autism spectrum disorder as well as being capable of disrupting normal hormone function in humans. Neonicotinoids should not be readily available at the local lawn and garden store; they should only be applied by trained and licensed personnel, and hopefully within the scope of an integrated pest management program.

Thank you for your consideration of this important bill.

Anna Cassilly

Talent, OR

\*Cimino, A. M., Boyles, A. L., Thayer, K. A., & Perry, M. J. (2017). *Effects of neonicotinoid pesticide exposure on human health: a systematic review*. Environmental health perspectives, 125(2), 155.

If I'm using Nonviolent Communication I never, never hear what somebody thinks about me... Hear the truth. The truth is that when somebody's telling you what's wrong with you, the truth is they have a need that isn't getting met. Hear that they're in pain.

Marshall Rosenberg

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