| From: | Randy and Pam Comeleo |
|----------|-------------------------------------|
| To: | HEE Exhibits |
| Subject: | HB 2509 Testimony |
| Date: | Thursday, April 4, 2019 10:16:01 AM |

Dear members of the House Energy and Environment Committee,

I am writing to urge you to support HB 2509, a bill to ban single-use plastic bags statewide. The bill must also contain a provision for a pass-through charge of \$0.10 per paper bag. The pass-through charge will allow retailers to recover the cost of more expensive paper bags and encourage shoppers to bring their own re-usable bags. Without the fee on paper bags, customers will simply choose to replace one single-use bag (plastic) with another (paper) with an undesired environmental outcome.

Sincerely,

Randy Comeleo Corvallis, OR