Dear Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee:

My name is Sabrina Siegel. I am resident of Eugene. I am writing to request your support for **HB 2882**.

I remember not long ago how an official from a Japanese seed company flew over from Japan just to speak at a hearing to protect from contamination from GE canola for a few minutes and then got right back to the airport to return home. He stated that most of the best and purest seed is grown here. This is how important it is to protect our organic seed. We grow seed for the whole world! This is the pure seed cradle of the world \(\mathbb{S}\)!

We really need the patent holders to be accountable not only for the huge financial loses that our organic farmers face, by contamination events for which they are clearly responsible, but to preserve real food! The GE crops have been shown in peer reviewed studies to cause organ damage and a great spectrum of health issues for humans, animals, and insects. It is really a horrible, frightening alien technology! Their planting also contributes to climate catastrophe by destroying the viability of our soils (with their accompanying chemicals and toxic pollen) which have the great potential to sequester carbon from the atmosphere underground if they are cultivated organically.

Thank you very much for your support of this critical bill. You are holding the purity of the world's food supply in your hands.

Really what is needed are even greater measures to be taken, like a ban on the cultivation of genetically engineered crops and animals. But let us start here with HB 2882.

Many thanks,

Sabrina Siegel