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To: [SENR Exhibits](#)
Subject: Vote NO on HB 4109 and Support Compromise Amendments
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Dear Chair Dembrow,

Senators-

Add my name to those who urge your NO vote on HB 4109, and ask you to consider the amendments that have been proposed to address concerns with chlorpyrifos.

I offer the following personal reasons: 1. A rulemaking process has already been introduced to deal with this issue. Let the system work; don't circumvent the regulatory process in place. 2. Please DO NOT start regulating pesticides on the state level. The USEPA has a robust program for pesticide regulation and management, and the expertise to do the job to protect consumers, workers, and the environment, while allowing farmers to use best practices in producing food. This is akin to proposing a state FDA: You would never consider putting Oregon in the business of regulating prescription drugs; this is just as complicated, and Oregon doesn't need, and can't afford, to get into this business, especially when it's being done already. 3. We have no options to chlorpyrifos in our onion, cauliflower, and snap bean production. You endanger our livelihood by taking away this product. 4. We've used IPM techniques for years on this farm to control pests. Chlorpyrifos has a niche in that approach to pest management; taking it away disrupts good IPM practices.

Please take the time and effort to step back, consider the facts, and vote NO on HB 4109. Thanks for your consideration!

Sincerely,

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