

March 17, 2021

Dear House Committee on General Government,

**I SUPPORT HB3239 Establishes where Cannabis/Hemp may be chemically processed**

I want to thank the sponsors of HB3239 for presenting this bill and for the committee for offering a public hearing and a work study session. I support HB3239 that requires all marijuana and hemp butane and ethanol or other chemical extraction processing to be located in industrial zones only and not within 2,000 feet of any areas zoned for rural residential uses.

I have lived next to a marijuana extraction processing site and it has all but destroyed my quality of life, with bully behaviors, increased traffic, horrific odors that have permeated my own property and the daily fear of explosive fires.

This is extremely important because many of our rural county farm lands in Oregon are forested and many of our small rural city industrial zones are surrounded by commercial businesses, residential housing and schools.

Along with the illegal butane ethanol marijuana extraction labs that have exploded, one located in the Rogue River Southern Oregon area which burned over 150 acres of forest and another so-called legal marijuana butane extraction lab in Astoria which was located in an industrial zone which destroyed the whole building and burned a contractor in the building, these both illustrate the importance of HB3239.

Please assure those of us who live in Oregon that you care as much as we do about the safety of our communities. Please vote yes and help pass this bill in both the House and the Senate.

Thank you,

Laura Underwood

Clackamas County

**Investigators: Explosion at illegal pot lab sparked southern Oregon wildfire**

[https://www.kptv.com/news/investigators-explosion-at-illegal-pot-lab-sparked-southern-oregon-wildfire/article\\_a02f4d54-be17-11e9-ad8d-ffc6e06a2259.html](https://www.kptv.com/news/investigators-explosion-at-illegal-pot-lab-sparked-southern-oregon-wildfire/article_a02f4d54-be17-11e9-ad8d-ffc6e06a2259.html)



**Burn victim in Astoria explosion sues butane hash oil makers**

[https://www.oregonlive.com/marijuana/2017/01/burn\\_victim\\_in\\_astoria\\_explosi.html](https://www.oregonlive.com/marijuana/2017/01/burn_victim_in_astoria_explosi.html)

