

I'm writing in support of SB 582 which would modernize Oregon's recycling system. I volunteer with a local plastics recycling organization, and am concerned about about the public's confusion about what should and should not go in the recycling bin.

My understanding is that SB 582 addresses three critical components of responsible recycling:

- 1) Informing people about what goes in the recycling bin, in part through new "truth in labeling" requirements;
- 2) Improving sorting at recycling facilities to produce cleaner materials; and
- 3) Ensuring materials are sent to markets where they will be used to make new products — not burned or dumped into communities, rivers and oceans. These changes in our recycling system will not only benefit the environment, but will also protect public and worker health and safety.

It also makes producers a key partner in Oregon's recycling system, with shared responsibility for waste.

I believe these changes to Oregon's recycling system will prevent our waste from polluting communities and environments locally and around the globe.

Please support and advance SB 582.

Thank you for your consideration and your service.

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