Dear Chair Patterson and Members of the Committee, I'm writing to ask you to support HB 2574. In making arrangements for myself and my wife, I have been increasingly concerned about the environmental impact of both traditional burial and cremation. I've been exploring alternatives such as the "human composting" option that would be allowed under this bill, but since they are not currently legal in Oregon that would require the additional, and possibly prohibitive, cost of shipping the body to another state. It would be of great benefit to our state and the Earth if an option such as this were legalized locally. Thank you for your consideration.

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