

Dear Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee,

We, Peggy and Dennis Tribble, are pleased to offer our support for HB 2574. This legislation would allow a natural disposition of remains by natural organic reduction (NOR), gently converting human remains into soil in an accelerated process.

We both intend to choose this option upon our death. Before hearing of Recompose in Washington State, we planned to be buried in a shroud on our own property (green burial). It is legal in Oregon as you know. We have completed all preparations. Now, with the possibility of Recompose coming to Oregon, we will opt for this natural return to nature. What a wonderful way to give back to the state we love. We will become a part of our beloved land forever.

Oregonians are looking for more sustainable death care options. HB 2574 would create an additional option for death care practice that is more environmentally-friendly and sustainable. For the above reasons, I ask for your support of this important legislation. I urge you to approve this option for Oregon as soon as feasible. Oregon has always been a leader in environmental matters. Let's keep it so.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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