

Dear Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee,

I, Iona Woofter am pleased to offer my 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.

It is important to me and my family that we try to have a positive impact through our lives. The ability to continue to benefit the earth and humanity by providing plantable soil with our remains rather than taking up space in a cemetery or on a shelf is important to us.

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.

Sincerely,

Iona Woofter