

I hope you will vote this bill out of committee because it provides alternatives to the entrenched funeral industry. It does no harm - except, perhaps, to the bottom lines of the embalmers and casket salesmen - and it has the potential to do some good for our environment and the financial realities of dying.

How much more pleasant to have the possibility of literally being "dust to dust" than to be gutted and pumped full of chemicals; to have some part of "me" nourishing the earth rather than adding to the BOD load of the treatment plants downstream of the mortuaries.

Composting will be the end for me and my family. Please make it so we can do it in Oregon instead of shipping our bodies to Washington.