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I support this bill! Children are so vulnerable to the effects of toxins. Even in small amounts, pesticide exposures put children at higher risk of adverse health effects including asthma, chronic illness and learning disabilities. Children in historically disadvantaged communities of color, or those with parents who work with chemicals for their job, already bear the burden of increased exposure to harmful chemicals. Schools should be toxic-free that and a safe space for children to learn and play! Oregon's School Districts have never received adequate resources to implement the requirements of the Oregon School Integrated Pest Management law and the Healthy and Safe Schools Act. Schools need help to meet these requirements in order to protect students' health. SB 426 also makes sure that the agencies responsible for children's education and children's health are stakeholders in the decision making process for using pesticides on school grounds.