



February 2nd

Chair Representative Daniel Nguyen and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to express my support for House Bill 4086, particularly its focus on Industrial Symbiosis and coordinated, place-based investments that strengthen Oregon's coastal working waterfronts.

As Director of the Coastal Oregon Marine Experiment Station, which includes facilities and programs in both Newport and Astoria, I work closely with seafood processors, ports, and coastal communities across the state. From this perspective, the Industrial Symbiosis provisions of HB 4086 represent an important opportunity to support shared infrastructure, cross-sector coordination, and systems-level solutions that improve efficiency, reduce waste, and create durable economic benefits for multiple coastal industries.

These approaches are especially relevant for port communities, where collaborative strategies that link seafood processing, by-product utilization, energy, and logistics can strengthen local economies while supporting the long-term resilience of working waterfronts.

HB 4086 also acknowledges the importance of advancing "100% fish" utilization as part of a sustainable seafood system. As a unit that works in this space, we recognize the value of having multiple organizations advancing aligned goals through their own initiatives, each contributing in different ways to broaden awareness and adoption of full fish utilization practices.

For these reasons, I support HB 4086 and encourage continued emphasis on Industrial Symbiosis and shared, regional infrastructure, alongside efforts that advance 100% fish utilization across Oregon's coastal communities.

Thank you for your consideration and for your continued commitment to Oregon's coastal economy and working waterfronts.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Sulikowski".

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