



# »» OUR 2025 LEGISLATIVE COMMITMENTS ««

CHAMPIONING CHANGE FOR A TOXIC-FREE FUTURE IN EVERY POLICY DECISION!

## PLANNING FOR HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

As co-leaders of the **Planning for Healthy Communities Act**, we're working to **strengthen Oregon's land use laws** by requiring robust health and environmental justice protections near homes, schools, and care facilities to curb negative impacts of industrial developments. By tackling air pollution, urban heat, and traffic risks head-on, this policy ensures that approval of permits to construct industrial facilities doesn't come by sacrificing community health! This legislation, modeled after our **Public Health Overlay Zone** in Eugene, was the first development code to prioritize community health in zoning decisions.

**Chief Sponsors: Senator Manning, Representative Tran**



## PROTECTING KIDS FROM TOXIC EXPOSURES



We're coming back to the legislature to make schools safer with a new bill to improve pest management practices. This bill mandates that Oregon schools update their **Integrated Pest Management plans** every five years, include school gardens, and make plans accessible online.

Our approach reduces chemical use by favoring non-chemical methods and a protocol before using any low-impact pesticides. This isn't just about pest control, it's about creating sustainable, toxic-free learning environments where students can thrive!

**Chief Sponsor: Representative Hudson**

## PROTECTING POLLINATORS FROM PESTICIDES



Nearly a decade after introducing legislation to restrict neonicotinoid pesticides and helping establish the Oregon Bee Lab, we continue to carry forward the fight to protect Oregon's pollinators! We are leading a strong coalition of groups that want to see Oregon become the next state to protect pollinators, birds and fish by making sure only trained, licensed users can purchase and apply these highly systemic pesticides. Our new bill will **limit bee-killing neonicotinoid pesticides** to licensed users, keeping them off store shelves and out of residential landscapes. This legislation positions Oregon to join 11 other states in **safeguarding pollinators, birds, and aquatic life from harmful pesticides!**

**Chief Sponsor: Representative Hudson**

## CUTTING METHANE EMISSIONS FOR CLEANER AIR

As climate activists, we know that addressing methane leaks at landfills is crucial to combating climate change. Methane leaks from landfills are a major climate threat, yet **private operators have used legal loopholes to omit 50% of landfill surface areas from monitoring**, claiming these zones are unsafe for workers, as opposed to publicly operated landfills, which only exclude 10%. **Our new bill closes these gaps, mandating GIS/drone technology to monitor all areas** and requiring emissions data to be directly reported to the DEQ, ensuring public accountability. This forward-looking legislation is a game-changer for Oregon's climate action, holding landfill operators accountable and pushing for cleaner air in our communities. Once passed, Oregon will position itself as a state **leading the way for greenhouse gas reductions!**

**Chief Sponsor: Senator Gelser Blouin**



## HYDROGEN IS NOT A CLIMATE SOLUTION

We are joining with other nonprofits to push for state laws that protect communities from corporate practices to impose hydrogen-blending in homes without notification. Hydrogen mixing is neither low-carbon nor safe; it increases pipe vulnerability, exposing people to harmful chemicals in their homes. **It's time to close a critical loophole in Oregon's energy provider regulations!** Our new coalition-backed bill requires energy companies to submit project plans for rigorous Public Utility Commission review, demanding transparency and safety over fossil fuel-driven solutions!

**Chief Sponsor: Senator-elect Pham**

