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RE: Review of Proposed OR-OSHA Rule under ORS 183.335

April 27, 2021

State Representative Paul Holvey  
Chair, Oregon House Business and Labor Committee

State Senator Chuck Riley  
Chair, Oregon Senate Labor and Business Committee

Michael Wood  
Administrator, Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division

Chairs Holvey and Riley and Director Wood:

Pursuant to ORS 183.335(16), we are requesting an opportunity to review rules proposed by Oregon Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OR-OSHA) titled "Rules Addressing the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency in All Oregon Workplaces." As you know, ORS 183.335(16) provides any member(s) of the Legislative Assembly with the right to trigger a committee review of a proposed agency rule to determine its compliance with the legislation from which the proposed adoption, amendment or repeal results. There has obviously been a great deal of additional information and updated guidance issued since the rules were first proposed in January 2021. We request this new information be considered as part of the review process to determine if the proposed rule is consistent with its authorizing statute.

Chairs Holvey and Riley, please convene your committees for purposes of fulfilling the statutory review process. The undersigned request one or more public hearings on this subject.

Administrator Wood, please suspend adoption of the proposed rules until the mandatory review process is complete.

We look forward to working with you to facilitate this review.

Thank you,

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State Representative, HD 39

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