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Chairs, Joint Ways and Means

Re: Support of SB 1569 being scheduled for a hearing and work session.

Dear Co-Chairs Senator Richard Devlin and Representative Peter Buckley:

The Oregon Commission on Hispanic Affairs (OCHA) is urging you to schedule a hearing and work session for SB 1569 which tasks OHA with establishing a list of chemicals harmful to children and requires manufacturers to report on products containing them. The Latino community is markedly vulnerable to these chemicals. Latinos are frugal purchasers and, being price sensitive, must often buy toys for our children that are cheaply made in countries that do not limit or protect against the use of these harmful chemicals. This bill will help us make sure that as our mothers are nursing their infants or playing with toddlers that the products of delivery do not have adverse health effects on our children.

We appreciate all that you can do to assure the Joint Ways and Means schedule allows a hearing and work session for SB 1569.

Sincerely,

Alberto Moreno, Chair

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