

From: cloverdale farms
To: [SWF Exhibits](#)
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Dear Committee,

PLEASE exempt agriculture from this bill.

I am wondering how this bill will work for us. We are farmers. Our job is totally dependent on the weather. We can say we would like to do certain things on certain days but if it is raining, snowing, excessive heat etc our plans have to change. Last fall we wanted to plant our crops. It rained practically every day in October...there was no way we could get into the fields to do the work necessary to plant our crop. We wanted to begin fertilizing end of January. It was so cold in January that the plants didn't start growing until mid February. We can say we want the crew to do some hoeing in May but if it is raining or excessively hot they won't be able to do that. This bill would mean we would have to pay people for not working...last time I looked that happened in Socialist countries. So we fire our employees on the days they can't work due to weather and rehire them when they can....that doesn't make much sense. Maybe you are trying to make the employer pay unemployment for the days the workers aren't able to work? We already pay unemployment. PLEASE this bill would make it extremely hard to keep our farm and business going.

Sincerely and respectfully,
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