

**HB 3211**

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Chair Lively, Members of the Committee,

HB 3211 sounds like a good idea on its face but allocates funding that is simply not available for the certification program.

I have been waiting over 6 months for a producer license renewal and micro-processor endorsement. OLCC claims the delay is due to inadequate funding so how can we consider taking any money away from the agency at this time? The economic damage being caused to our small family business by the endorsement delay is significant so the certification bill should not move forward unless (and until) the agency's massive budget shortfall is addressed.

As it is, even \$300,000 funding reduction would compound our economic woes.

Thank you for considering these comments.

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