Dear Co-Chair Roblan,

Please vote NO on HB 3427. This is NOT the way to solve Oregon's revenue shortfall.

A gross receipts tax is arbitrary and burdensome. It has NO connection to whether or not our farm is profitable (and able to pay the tax).

A gross receipts tax will be passed on from all my suppliers; in some cases, two or three levels will pay the tax, and it will all be passed on to us. Meanwhile, we are price takers, and cannot pass this on to our customers. It will place us at a competitive disadvantage with farmers in neighboring states, who will not have this cost. Please vote NO on HB 3427. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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