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Dear Oregon Legislature,

I am writing in regards to HB3173. I am asking that you pass the HB3173. This bill would help our County Fair continue to be, a valued part of our community. Our fairgrounds along with the other fairs, festivals and events, have been and will be major contributors to the wellbeing of our communities. As an entertainer, and gig artist, this past year has been extremely challenging to the 1000s of gig workers in our state. As a community member and service member of the OFA, we need to support our fairgrounds who serve as vital resources to our communities in a variety of ways...beyond typical fair happenings. They have become emergency centers, vaccination centers, fire camps and relief centers. With the help of the bill, we can continue to be all these things.

I am asking you to please support and pass HB3173.

Thank you,

Windy Wahlke