

It feels good to actually support a Bill.

The impact of restrictions has disproportionately impacted restaurants, entertainment and the entire hospitality industry state wide. This Bill makes good sense to bring more equity to all industries. With all the talk of 'equity' these days it's pretty surprising how Oregon has gone nearly a year now with no equity to the hospitality industry, instead just the opposite. The hospitality industry in Oregon has been the target of bully type attacks by Oregon's Governor with no real science to back it up. Just look to many other states, even some neighboring states who've had the hospitality sector open and operational the past year with little to no difference in virus spread. That's some real scientific data to reference.

In the beginning we were all scared and didn't have any reliable science to follow. Now looking back we have nearly a year of real science to reference, particularly in other states who've opened up more and had similar/same virus spread rates. Many states have had kids in school like normal since September and hospitality open. It's time Oregon wakes up and relies on real science.

Thank you for presenting a Bill that bring some equity, logic and science into focus for Oregon. We need more smart, science based governing like this in Oregon.