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Farmworkers are essential, overworked and underpaid. Their labor, while it supports the health and survival of all of Oregon, causes disruption in the health of their families, causes them pain and brings them illness, and sometimes, all too often, kills them. The irony is stark. Farmworkers deserve overtime pay, not just because they're essential workers, but because they're people with lives that have inherent value. And Farmworkers deserved their value to be recognized five years ago, not five years from now. I am neutral to this bill, because as a young voter, I do not want to participate in one of the saddest stories humanity has to offer, "too little too late". I want to prioritize the health and wellbeing of Farmworkers. I want to give them what is fair and equal. Farmworkers need overtime pay, and they need it now.