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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Business and Labor

Measure: HB4002

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To: House Committee on Business and Labor

From: Don Iler

Re: Support for Farmworker Overtime

Chair Holvey, Vice Chairs Bonham and Grayber, and Members of the House Business and Labor Committee,

I am writing in support of HB 4002. Farm workers help keep food on our tables and are some of the hardest working people in our state. It is unfathomable why it has taken this long for us to recognize their hard work with overtime pay, which most people are paid when they work in excess of 40 hours a week. It is grossly unfair that they are not paid overtime right now, and while I would much rather see the overtime take effect immediately, I see the bill as a step in the right direction of righting a huge wrong. Farm workers toil for long hours in all sorts of conditions and deserve overtime pay since food is one of the most important things Oregonians need. I urge you to pass this bill.

Thanks,

Don Iler