

Submitter: Bill Drewien

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Farm Worker Overtime

Measure: HB4002

To whom it may concern,

HB4002a should not be passed at this time. Small and mid size farmers and ranchers are already seeing tough times with drought, extremely high hay prices, massive increases in fertilizer cost, fuel prices and general cost of living increased. Adding additional cost will just add additional stress and many may not survive this increase in labor cost. Farmers and ranchers are not receiving the prices people are paying at the grocery store. Last year many did not have sufficient irrigation water to finish the season and it appears this year may be similar.

I oppose HB 4002 at the present time and urge you to table this Bill until we see a more stable economy.

Sincerely,

Bill Drewien