

Submitter: Mindy Stone

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB507

Dear Chair Golden, Vice-Chair Girod, and members of the committee,

My name is Mindy Stone. I moved to Oregon in 2014 and my primary reason for moving here is to be close to the wonderful food that is grown and procured on the land and water. In my first two years in Mapleton, I learned how to grow food and how to preserve food. Since then I have canned tuna every summer and pick berries, veggies and can them. I'm actually considering selling my goods at farmers markets and would like to see our local food system expand for the benefit of Oregonians and visitors to Oregon.

I am excited to see the changes proposed in SB 507. With these changes, I might be able to take my food passions to the next level as a producer/seller.

Our local food systems have increased demands that we must start to address SB 507 will help Oregon farmers and producers continue to sell safe, fresh produce directly to their consumers in this modern era.

I hope the improvements in this legislation will help improve upon our robust local food system.

I urge you to support SB 507. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mindy Stone