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I support legislation to allow and encourage diversified sources and venues for raw milk.

I have purchased raw milk in the context of legal herdshare agreements from five Oregon sources over the past four years, and have found them to be excellent for quality and nutritional value.

I handle raw milk with care equal to eggs and meat--making sure to use it fresh before it expires; after which date I preserve it (cook or freeze it). In this way I ensure a delicious and safe digestive experience.

I want other Oregonians to enjoy access to local nutritious milk (complete with a wide variety of beneficial microbial flora) from cows that graze our lush pastures, converting fodder we cannot eat into a complete source of protein, essential heart and brain-healthy fats, vitamins, minerals, complex fiber, and animal-based antioxidants.

Please consider the positive health benefits family, friends, and neighbors when you vote for this opportunity. Let's work together to help Oregonians thrive!