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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Business and Labor

Measure: HB2536

My name is Bella Gulzow and I am a full-time student in Eugene, Oregon.

I urge the committee to vote against price control legislation that could increase costs for customers and make it harder for Dashers and businesses in Eugene to earn.

I started delivering through DoorDash because it allowed me to explore and connect to the city I go to school in while earning some extra money. As a full-time student, it can be difficult to find a job that can accommodate my hectic schedule. Dashing gives me the opportunity to earn how and when I want.

My research into this policy has made me confident that it's wrong for Oregon. When some cities have passed these price controls, fees for customers have increased, meaning fewer orders and less work for Dashers like me. While I want small businesses to succeed, I do not think the legislature should choose how businesses work with third party delivery apps. These apps take on considerable costs to pay drivers like me, operate their platforms, and promote businesses like the ones I support in Eugene. If this bill passes, delivery platforms may seek other ways to cover these expenses. Making it harder for customers to afford delivery means I'll lose orders and the restaurants this bill seeks to help will lose sales.

While I appreciate the legislature working to help protect small businesses, I hope the committee will explore other ways to accomplish that goal. This policy has the potential to hurt Dashers and businesses alike.