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On Behalf
Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General
Government, and Veterans

Measure: HB2426

Dear Chair Grayber, Vice Chair Lewis, and Members of the Committee:

HB 2426 is a bad idea. There is no reason to change the current status of help at service stations. Service stations provide jobs to many people who may not find jobs elsewhere. Contrary to the complaint of the Oregon Fuels Association, we have never had an issue with lack of help at service stations. In my experience, workers are courteous, helpful and obviously, earning a living. Who are the beneficiaries of this bill? Certainly not the general driving public, nor the currently employed gas station attendants.

My daughters who drive to work daily, have frequently pointed out how much they appreciate not having to get out in the rain and cold to pump their gas, and get back in the car in their work clothes, smelling like gasoline. I do not see the advantage of this proposal. How likely is it that gas stations will provide an attendant if they don't have to do so? This bill will result in all gas stations in Oregon becoming self-serve, which is a DIS-service to the disabled, seniors, and those who do not want to arrive at their destination smelling like gasoline. Please do not move this proposal forward. Thank you for your consideration.

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