

Submitter: Barbara Hoops

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB85

We are a small family farm raising poultry since 2007 (now 16 yrs.) not a factory. We have been renewed each year after a full farm inspection by our CAFO Rep. WE worked with Natural Resources Dept prior to starting this business to ensure all state Natural Resources were met to their guidelines. IF NO CAFO renewals are allowed, it would put us out of business. We now grow approximately 351,600 broilers per year. The grocery stores would have great difficulty replacing poultry in the market to feed the families of Oregon. Quantity keeps Costs down. We work very hard to protect our environment. We were harassed by the animal Activist near here when we started for approximately 2 year and since. Calling at ALL Hours, complaining and reporting false issues that created A LOT more work for the State CAFO office. They have to check-out the complainer and the farm for every complaint. We work in a highly regulated industry. I would sincerely hope that you recognize the current programs regulating Our State CAFO and those of the Natural Resources Conservation Service Department. Please VOTE NO and protect our local farms and food supply.

Sincerely, Barbara and Daniel Hoops