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Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources
Measure: SB85

Please vote NO on SB 85.

This Bill is irresponsible and obviously written by people that have no clue what it takes to work the land and care for the animals that help keep families fed and healthy. Families everywhere in Oregon are facing soaring food prices...Family farms are continuing to be squeezed into selling to huge corporate. Oregon faces unprecedented problems of homelessness, crime, substance abuse, mental illness, educational failure, and other serious problems that have made us a joke in the public eye...this is not the time nor the place for wasting taxpayer dollars on a solution looking for a problem.

We are busy raising food for Oregonians, reducing the environmental cost of transporting food from other regions of the US, and contributing tax dollars and to our local communities as well as the state.

Further regulations on farming operations in Oregon would increase food costs for Oregonians, complicate supply chain, put more trucks on the road bringing food, increasing carbon emissions and crowding our already overcrowded roads.

Oregonians would be affected most grievously by any legislative attempts to further regulate already over-regulated farms and farmers.

As amended, this bill presumes a problem it purports to study, as if the study were already shown to require the intervention it is supposed to study, so the conclusions are presumed through a perverse kind of circular reasoning.

Please vote against Measure SB 85. Preserve our local food supply and support the farms and farmers who toil long hours to provide it. There are much more important issues in Oregon that need these taxpayer dollars.

Thank you for your time. Again please vote no