

To whom it may concern,

I am submitting this testimony in opposition of SB 58-1. This bill is a huge threat to the state of Oregon's food sources and supply chains that reach all over the united states. This bill will not only limit the production of large facilities but will also hinder the smaller producer as well who depend on these operations to feed out their smaller groups of cattle. The cattle industry is already in a deficit due to lowered herd numbers from the recent drought. There are already going to be less animals to process and this will exacerbate the already rising cost for the consumer. It will also slow down the number of animals that are being finished for consumption, thus creating supply chain issues for consumers to get quality American raised meat.

The other issue that SB58-1 raises is that it will lower the quality of life the animals have in these facilities. If the facilities are unable to keep up with upgrades and modifications needed to keep these animals at optimal health, it will decrease the quality of life for the animals. It will affect all these different types of livestock in the same way, negatively.

In summary this bill puts our livestock in the position to be in very poor living conditions and all of this will affect the consumer negatively in the end.

Respectfully Submitted,

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