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Foster Farms is a mega abusive corporation that Oregon does NOT want to hold hands with. Even as we speak, during these voter contributing public testimony hearings on SB-85-1, FOSTER FARMS is wasting tax dollars in Merced County, California, in court trying to convict two young women activists from rescuing two sick hens from a filthy truck bound for slaughter.

Is that the kind of company you want running rough shod over Oregon's small rural pristine farm country? One that will require constant litigation to keep it's massive overreach in our community in check? AND SPEAKING OF FILTHY OVERCROWDED CAGED TRUCKS, while you have been sleeping and negligent on directing the Dept of AG to do it's job regulating CAFO's, there are already trucks just like that, conducting the cruel transport of living beings within Oregon's borders and it's current chicken farms, using the most horrendous transport practices.

With my own eyes, in February 2023, on Hwy 22 approaching Salem, in the midst of a torrential rain storm, i saw a 2 trailer truck with chickens smashed up against each other in open cages, where from my driving past them viewpoint, i could see LEGS, STICKING OUT VERTICALLY OF THE CAGES!!! Legislators, there is SOOOO much work and remedy that needs to happen NOW. This bill before you, is just a trickle magnifying an existing and POTENTIAL for even greater, problems concerning CAFO's if you don't move this amendment forward.