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Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources
Measure: SB85

I'm writing to support a strong factory farm moratorium, not a dirty watered down one. I support the -1 amendment to SB 85 and oppose the -3 amendment.

Poultry CAFOS are not the only harmful factory farms to animals and our environment! And let's be honest, two years is barely enough time to get a well rounded assessment of how these CAFOS operate.

This is an ALL animal and All environmental issue, not just a poultry one. We need the original strong moratorium bill that would halt the spread of mega-dairies in eastern Oregon which are already struggling with heavily contaminated drinking water and other pollution on top of animal suffering on a massive scale!

CAFOs are the site of countless acts of animal cruelty, a breeding ground for viruses and drug-resistant bacteria, and are one of the biggest sources of air and pollution as well. There is really nothing good that comes from a factory farm.

I'm quite sure that if you pass the original 8 year moratorium you will see that we should never allow these horror farms to be built in our beautiful state again.

Thank you,
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