

Submitter: Kay Pendleton
On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules
Measure: SB85

Dear Chair Lieber and Members of the Committee,

We are residents of a community that would be threatened by the massive expansion of Foster Farms' chicken factory.

The -4 amendment is a good beginning in tightening the language of the existing regulations and closing loopholes in Oregon's CAFO regulations that have become evident through this process and we greatly appreciate the work of Senators Denbrow and Golden in listening to the community's concerns and continuing to work for a solution. This is not a perfect solution, but the -4 ammendment is a move in the right direction to protect our community from the negative impact of industrial farms like the poultry operations that seek to locate near our homes, schools, water supplies, and the small and mid-sized farms that produce our food.

I urge you to support the -4 ammendment as a compromise that will balance protecting rural communities and our water while not being burdensome to small and mid-sized family farms. Please vote Yes on -4 and pass it out of committee.

Thank you,
Robert and Kay Pendleton
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