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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules  
Measure: SB85

Thank you chair Lieber, members of the committee for the opportunity to submit public testimony in support of SB 85 -4. My name is Leslie Carter, I am a farmer in Scio being threatened by massive industrial size chicken operations planned for our area.

The -4 amendment is a great effort to tighten up the language of our existing regulations and close the loopholes in Oregon's CAFO regulations that have become apparent through this process. I appreciate all the hard work of Senator Dembrow and Golden to hear our communities concerns and their willingness to help us find a solution. Though not perfect, it is a step in the right direction to protect all Oregon communities from negative impacts of industrial farming businesses like poultry operations locating too near to our homes, schools, churches and waterways.

I ask that you support the -4 amendment as it is a good compromise to protecting our rural communities and our resources while not impacting small and mid-size family farms and ranchers.

Please vote yes on -4 and pass it out of committee. Thank you