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On Behalf Of: Oregon Cattlemens Association  
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules  
Measure: SB85

Senate Rules Committee:

The Oregon Cattlemen's Association strongly opposes the -4 amendment to SB 85. Statutory changes that will impact the ability of our 18,000 ranch families to continue their businesses must be vetted early in a Legislative Session with the active participation of the impacted stakeholders prior to adoption. Agriculture is the backbone of Oregon's economy and the cattle sector contributed \$839.7 million to Oregon's economy in 2021, The Legislature has made investments recently to fund meat inspection and meat processing facilities. These investments signal support for this sector of agriculture. The adoption of poorly drafted CAFO regulations will harm the cattle sector and our CAFO permit holders.

OCA urges the Senate Rules Committee not adopt the -4 amendment to SB 85.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration to this important matter.

Respectfully,

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