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As a farmer who utilizes H2A labor, predominantly because of having remote job sites where there is no source of local labor, I find that excluding H2A employees from paying into the unemployment system is only fair - given that they are unable to utilize its benefits. Increasing the cost of doing business for employees and employers in an arrangement where neither party is able to achieve any benefit in the process is counterproductive to the success of agriculture in this state.