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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3362

My name is Amy Kaser and I work with my family on a wheat, cattle, and hay farm east of The Dalles. I am testifying in opposition to HB 3362, the tax on retail sales of tires. A tax on tires puts an unfair burden on farms and those who live in rural areas. We put a lot of miles on our tires, sometimes traveling over rough ground, and this leads to us purchasing more tires than an average person would. Family farms are currently facing input costs that exceed our costs of production for some of our crops. Adding more expense to our inputs with this high percentage tax will cause our margins to narrow even further.