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My name is Levi Graffenberger. I operate our family farm outside Millersberg. I oppose this bill. Farming is one of the most dangerous jobs, but osha already requires annual training on the safe operation of equipment and tools. We are required to have monthly safety meetings already. I think that adding another training will do little to improve the safety standards in agriculture. Removing an employee who demonstrates a lack of care in safety standards, even before it gets to a level of documented incidents or mention during a safety committee meeting, improves safety around the farm. Do we not already have the labor board or osha who have the power to inspect a business's operational practices?