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I am in opposition to HB2548. Do we really need more appointed government, who do not answer to the voters, administering an important business like family farms? Why is government the only area growing in the Oregon economy? Currently, the labor laws & requirements for family farms are sufficient for labor protection & safety. We really don't need to increase food costs, since Biden already did that.

We must be able to maintain an at-will employment as is in the rest of the private sector, so that farms can respond quickly to changing weather & markets. We DO NOT need a cadre of appointed political non-farmers experts ruling over farmers, which can result in failures & potential famines.

We also do not need the expense & PERS overhead of these appointed "experts" who NEVER farmed.