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Co-chairs Helm and Owens, Vice-Chair Finger McDonald and members of the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources and Water:

My name is Aimee Davis, and I am a Realtor from Mulino, Oregon. I am writing today to support HB 3372. Currently in Oregon it is legal to water a ½ acre garden or use 5,000 gal/day for a commercial purpose, but neither of those apply to growing food and farm products for sale.

This personally impacts me because: the larger lots and pieces of small acreage I sell, the prospective buyers would like to be increasingly sustainable and self-supporting. The public is looking for this more and more. As they are often not aware of this law or the implications of the existing law, they often unknowingly violate the law simply by supporting themselves and community. Changing this law would allow the public the freedom to participate in the economy and to utilize their properties to the fullest extent.

Please note... that the generation Z has been raised that this is not only important, but necessary. Passing this now, will save hours laboring this topic in the future, once again.

Please give yourself, your neighbors and relatives what they want and need.... the ability to feed and provide for themselves and support their communities while participating in the local economy, please pass HB 3372 for the people. Let's please not be hypocritical and continue to allow those residing on city wells/reservoirs be allowed to do something that rural property owners would like to do. It is embarrassing. It depletes the city water supply.

I support HB 3372 as it is fair and just. I believe most of the communities would as well if they were aware.

Thank you for being fair and just,

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