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I OPPOSE [SB 1119].

If a Farmer knows he /she has hired an Illegal Alien, the Farmer is in trouble with the Feds.

If a Farmer does not know his/her Farmworker is an Illegal Alien and confronts the Farmworker as to the Farmworker's immigration status and the Farmworker is in our country illegally, the Farmer has an affirmative duty to report the Illegal Alien to Federal Authorities-the Farmer should not be in trouble.

If the Farmworker's immigration status has changed and is no longer an Illegal Alien and the Farmer is not aware of the immigration change of the Farmworker, the Farmer could be found liable for harassment as well as hiring an Illegal Alien in the first place.

[SB 1119] is a can of worms.

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Mr. Oregon Concurs and says, "Farmers should have employment applications asking the applicant to divulge their immigration status and probably do this already. Some may take President Clinton's approach, "Don't ask, Don't Tell" this might work. Not."