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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural
Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4153

Greetings,

I am reaching out in curiosity but also opposition to the HB 4153.

We are a small farm farming ~6.5 acres of blueberries. We've been open for u-picking our fields since the 1950's.

While we currently have sales that are above the threshold, we are certainly too small per acreage to benefit from this rule change.

I think we want to think about what makes our rural Oregon spaces unique and interesting. Limiting the ability of producers to offer the local food and crops of the area does not enhance our states tourism and unique offerings.

I think there may be good reason to consider rule changes but not if it leaves a significant number of smaller producers behind.

-Jack Richardson

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