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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4153

My Name is Barbara Dumesnil and I am a rural community member in Lane County. I am writing to you today to express my opposition to HB 4153 as it is written and the - 2 amendment. Farm stands are a vital part of connecting the public with our food system and building an understanding of what it takes to go from field to fork. But HB 4153 as it is written would restrict who is allowed to have a farm stand, replace current definitions with Farm Stores, and give large land owners privileges at the expense of small farm stands in Oregon. We need to find a better solution. I oppose this because I frequently buy produce at farm stands and small farmers need to have the same opportunity to sell their products as large farms.