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IFA Supports House Bill 3095– Clarifying Independent Status of Franchisees

The Honorable Margaret Doherty
Chair
House Committee on Business and Labor
Via email rep.margaretdoherty@state.or.us

Dear Representative Doherty and Members of the House Committee on Business and Labor:

On behalf of the International Franchise Association (IFA) representing America's more than 825,000 franchise establishments, which support nearly 18 million jobs and \$2.1 trillion of economic output for the U.S. economy, I am writing to register the IFA's support of House Bill 3095, which clarify the independent status of franchisees.

Although franchisees neither consider themselves nor operate as employees, they do have a unique relationship with franchisors. This situation does not fit neatly within general worker status classification standards. House Bill 3095 would eliminate the confusion that currently exists by giving an extra degree of precision to Oregon's worker classification system.

For the above reasons, the IFA respectfully supports the passage of House Bill 3095.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dean A. Heyl". The signature is written in a cursive style and is enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

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