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To whom it may concern,

My name is Brian McMenamin and I'm co-owner of McMenamins Pubs and Breweries. I'm writing in support of Senate Bill 138 on the increase of barrel limits for self-distribution.

McMenamins has been in business in Oregon since 1974. McMenamins was involved with the original Brewpub legislation that passed in 1985 and the subsequent changes since. We have grown from a handful of pubs in the early 80's to our current 56 properties in two states (46 in Oregon and of those 17 are brewpubs).

In 2014, we produced 20,610 barrels in Oregon with 4,948 of those barrels coming from our Edgefield property in Troutdale. The brewpub concept has been very important to our growth in Oregon and the region. The industry has been very robust and growing at an ever increasing rate.

We currently employ approximately 1,900 people in Oregon and project a 10% growth in 2015. We have branched out over the years to not only include brewpubs but two distilleries, a winery, a coffee roaster facility, fine dining restaurants, edible gardens, movie theaters, bakeries, catering and meeting facilities, gift shops, spas and hotels.

You can see from the above number (4,948 barrels) that Edgefield is currently up against the 5000 barrel limit. The change we are proposing in the current law will allow us to grow and expand Edgefield as well as the rest of our company.

So you could call my motives selfish, but as other Brewpubs grow and expand they will also take advantage from this change in the current law. Raising the self-distribution limit in Oregon will allow the brewpub industry to continue to grow and prosper.

The one great thing about the brewpub industry in Oregon is that it's very dynamic- always changing and happily to say, still growing by leaps and bounds.

Sincerely,

Brian McMenamin

VP/Secretary McMenamins Inc.