



Re: Oregon Farmers Market letter of support of SB320 baking bill

To whom it may concern:

On behalf of the Oregon Farmers Markets Association, I write in support of SB320, a legislative proposal to make it easier for folks to start a home baking businesses grossing less than \$20,000/year from the direct sale of non-potentially hazardous baked goods. Farmers markets act as incubators for small businesses, giving Oregonians with few resources the opportunity to test and possibly grow a market. The initial start-up costs and licensing fees can be prohibitive for some Oregonians – this law would afford bakers to come to market and, if nothing else, make a little money for their families.

Our member markets reach far and wide. Many are found in rural communities where economic opportunities are limited. This could be a leg up for bakers across Oregon, for sales not just at farmers markets, but in public school districts, fund raisers, and other outlets.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,
Laura Wendel
Oregon Farmers Markets Association, Board President