

Raszka Shelley

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To: Raszka Shelley
Subject: HB 2446

Dear Ms. Raska –

I write in support of HB 2446, which will be heard tomorrow morning at 8:00 in the House Agriculture/Natural Resources committee. Please forward my comments to the committee.

As I understand it, HB 2446 is the bill to amend ORS 621.012 by eliminating the advertising ban on the farm-to-consumer sale of raw milk, an amendment made necessary by the 2014 settlement of a lawsuit brought by an Oregon dairy farmer and seller of raw milk.

HB 2446 appears to be a tiny step forward for those seeking to sell raw milk. The advertising ban was wrong and should be done away with. Please pass HB 2446.

The next thing that should go is the ridiculously low number of cows and goats that farmers are allowed to have in order to see raw milk. Consumers should have the freedom to purchase raw milk. If we want that choice to be a safe one for consumers, we should make the production of raw milk an economically viable option for dairy farmers. To do so, they need to achieve economies of scale that are hobbled by the current restrictive law.

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