

Dear State Representatives,

I agree that wage inequity is a problem and that solutions are needed to make sure that hard-working people are able to pay for housing and food and have money left over. However, I do not agree that the Legislature should rush through a wage mandate without adequate thought.

The ripple affect of this change is catastrophic. For the hospitality industry alone, a wage increase would result in lost jobs, increased menu prices to alleviate the cost of increased wages AND the increase in goods. Many businesses will be forced to close.

Wage increases will impact our already suffering schools, college students and fixed-income seniors. Not to mention the cuts our local government will be forced to make to sustain after such an increase.

I urge you to do what is right for Oregon, and vote no on the wage hike that will harm consumers, force school and government service cuts, and hurt Oregon farms and small businesses.

Thank you for listening to your constituents.

Sincerely,

Natalie Campbell