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In the world of construction and pouring ready mixed concrete, there is no possible way to set schedules 14 days in advance, let alone predict within 24 hours what will happen with certainty. Drivers' schedules at **all** ready mixed concrete companies are predicated on inspections, last minute customer changes, weather (this is absolutely huge), conflicts in sub-contractor scheduling, illness, and many more unpredictable variables. Typically we don't know the extent of all these variables until quitting time the night before the next work day. We do all we can to sell concrete and keep our drivers employed daily. At least 10% of the time, orders that are confirmed with us get cancelled at literally the last minute. We do pay our drivers that come into work, then have to go straight home because of these last minute cancellations. I pay them 2 hours, which at least covers their fuel and time, all for something that is totally out of our control. Often we learn of these cancellations with only a few hours notice, and we are very diligent about letting our people know so they don't have to take their time unnecessarily. I would estimate that 35% of all orders are shifted, cancelled, decreased or some other action within 24 hours of delivery.

This bill, if made law will drive the cost of concrete upward to compensate for the thousands of dollars it will cost us to do business. You are interfering in matters that you do not understand or comprehend the full impact. The State of Oregon through ODOT and other agencies, not to mention County and Local governments, buy concrete all the time. This will cost them, and all other building sectors more money; which all lead back to the taxpayer/consumer.

Leave the private sector alone. If we cannot keep our drivers busy enough, there are other companies that can and will hire them. That is incentive enough to keep us diligent, and provides those drivers alternative options to find adequate working income.

PLEASE DO NOT PASS THIS BILL, OR ANYTHING LIKE IT.

Thank you.

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