

House Committee on Business & Labor

We would like to express our opposition to requiring farmers to give employees 2 weeks' notice on what their schedule will be. We work with the weather and crop development, so we cannot always know when there will be work. We are in that position right now, waiting for 2 overwintering crops to develop so they are big enough to pick. Last year one was ready the first week of February and the other in mid-February. As we all know this winter was very cold and we are still waiting. There is no way we can give our employees a 2 week work schedule! They are ready to work, but they know the uncertainty of working with the variables of agriculture.

Thanks for hearing our concern and not burdening farmers with rules that do not fit our situation.

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