House Committee on Business and Labor:

As an elected official in a rural county I am troubled that SB 1040's restrictions on employment will further compromise our efforts to grow our economy.

Citizens should be free to choose to join a union or not to join a union.

As we work for a stronger economy in our county we need fewer restrictions on employment not more.

Compulsory union membership takes away key freedoms and interferes with the rights of workers in the private sector.

I stand with our local McMinnville Chamber of Commerce and the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce in opposing this job-stifling legislation.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my concerns about SB 1040.

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