

To Whom it may concern,

It was brought to my attention by our local Chamber of Commerce of HB - 2498 being discussed. This Bill is similar to one in the State of Washington that created a huge uproar from individuals and businesses. This bill would be disastrous to family businesses like ourselves. We have been building homes in Eugene, Oregon for over 30 years. We have operated with a few family members and 1 employee for that entire time running this business. We work with many talented sub-contractors and craftsmen on all of our projects. These businesses and independent contractors have been the very best business partners throughout the years. This relationship is mutually beneficial for both parties. It is what makes our business one of the most enjoyable because each party has to be a great partner for future business and projects to be beneficial to both parties. This Bill would be absolutely disastrous to hundreds of thousands of small businesses in the state that enjoy this symbiotic relationship of independent contractors. I urge all of you to think of small businesses and individual contractors and don't pass a bill that would make these great relationships disappear.

Thanks

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