

Good morning Mr. Brennan I am writing you about my support for house bill 2284, The port of Newport has invested millions of dollars into the international terminal has and has not done anything shipping related with the terminal since it has been completed. I am a long-time Oregon resident and a casual longshoreman at local 53 in Newport Oregon and my future depends on the port of Newport getting back to international shipping my father and all my relatives grew up in Newport Oregon and we're all longshoreman in Newport. My father was a longshoreman in Newport Oregon for 43 years and I am afraid if House Bill 2284 does not pass there will be an end of an era for shipping in Newport Oregon The current port commissioners are all fishing family related and have no intention on letting shipping back into Newport Oregon which negatively impacts the people the economy, the general well-being of Newport Oregon. Newport needs the family wage jobs that international shipping will bring to the community.

Thank you for your consideration, Mike Fogarty ILWU local 53

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