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Good morning Co-Chairs Kotek and Courtney,

I am Laura Shelton, with Hans Nelson & Sons Nursery. We are a small family business that is now run by the 3rd generation. I support an amendment to HB 4212 that would provide temporary and targeted liability protections to entities that are adhering to state and federal public health guidelines as well as rules that are set to reduce the risk of COVID-19 exposure.

I feel Governor Brown was quick in acting with executive orders that have helped to flatten the initial curve in Oregon, however I am very nervous that the changing regulatory environment has created immense liability and uncertainty both for the public as well as private sector employees. I fear that even though we are following those guidelines, we may be at risk of a lawsuit from a customer or employee feeling we didn't go far enough in our efforts.

These lawsuits would clog up our justice system as well as potentially cripple businesses, many which are suffering from this pandemic.

Thank you for your time and considering my concerns.

Best regards,
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