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Watch our high labor crops head south of the USA border. We grow high labor crops for local distribution. These crops require daily picking to stay salable. By making us pay overtime these crops must move south of the us border where employees make less in 1 day than our employees make in 1 hour.

With the passing of HB 2358 you will have a negative impact on our environment by causing these commodity's to be transported over 1000 miles, if from Mexico. Or flight miles of 4636 miles from Peru. Talk about a carbon footprint. Diesel will be burnt adding to the pollution to the environment, This will cause 15,000 gallons of diesel to be used to replace only 1 of our 13 crops. And this reference is only shipping in from Mexico. It will cause us to let 250 workers go, that we employee to pick and pack asparagus crop. It will also create 7.5 million people to eat product that is less Fresh food, with many more miles of transportation required. This will require us to lay off or permanently let go over 250 workers, This will hurt our family farm employees, some who have been working with us for many years and who are making \$16.00 per hour to help support their families, by reducing their hours worked. We will have to stop growing labor intense crops, in turn the employees will lose the opportunity to work the hours they have been asking us for.

Employee losses = no hours to work

Farmer losses = no specialty crops

Oregon losses = no local produce grown. PLEASE NO on HB 2358