

Dear Committee,

I would like to support the bill that will make selling raw butter legal. Pasturization kills beneficial organisms for digestion. Incidents of foodborne illness are nil according to the CDC database that tracks these incidents. It is legal in 11 other states. It would help dairy farmers here in Oregon with increasing business as consumer demand for locally produced foods continues to grow. I urge you to pass HB 2612 to increase consumer choice and healthy options for our food supply.