Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Mike Gierke. I am an OLCC licensed producer in Josephine County. We have been licensed since 2017 and have been negatively affected by not being able to get our material back from a processor.

We sent our entire 2017 harvest to a processor and ended up being completely at the mercy of the processor. We ended up getting 1/3 of the payout that we anticipated. We went months and months without communication, no transparency and didn't receive any payout for over 9 months.

I ask you to please support SB 408.