

Please support YES on HB 2740. Compensation has not kept pace with all of the expenses of running a brick and mortar store. Payroll has gone up the most, with rent, taxes and insurance following close behind. I have been doing this for almost 30 years, and in the beginning both my staff and I were paid well and they were given a SEP IRA every year at the maximum amount allowed. Now neither of us get IRA's or decent pay. I would like to keep my employees by giving them raises and contributing to retirement accounts for both of us again. Minimum wage was \$3.35 back then and it is more than 3 times that now, but my current paycheck is no where near 3 times what it was back in the 90's.