Please vote yes on HB 2740 OLCC Agent Compensation increase. In just the past 4 years my business has experienced an inflation increase of over 8% amongst my lease, utilities, and insurance. Not taking into consideration the increase on supplies or the increase in cost in providing additional convenience to the customer such as delivery to bars and restaurants as well as increased staff for curb side deliveries. Although our sales have had a major increase as a result of the pandemic, so has my payroll. Increased sales require increased staff to insure our stores are well stocked to continue supporting one of the State of Oregon's largest tax revenue sources!

Personally, this increase will go straight to the wages of my staff as well as allowing me to hire additional help. The men and women that work with me have been nothing short of amazing these past 11 months. Each are all working parents that have managed to juggle online schooling and creative ways for childcare to insure they can keep working. They've created a rotating "pod" for childcare including my own child. I work with these individuals everyday with such gratitude. I pray for the opportunity to insure their families are as supported through their wages as they've supported my business.