Submitter: Rory Cowal

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Business and Labor

Measure: HB4002

Dear Chair Holvey and Members of the House Business and Labor Committee,

I am writing to you today in support of farmworker overtime. Farmworkers should receive overtime pay after 40 hours in a workweek at one and one-half times the employee's regular rate of pay.

Equity and justice demand that farmworkers have the same rights as other workers, including overtime pay. It is time for Oregon to join several other states in ending this racist practice of excluding agricultural workers from overtime pay. These workers deserve dignity and respect.

I urge you to pass farmworker overtime in the 2022 Legislative Session to ensure farmworkers in Oregon are paid fairly for their skilled and essential labor.

Sincerely, Rory Cowal Portland, OR