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Committee: House Committee On Business and Labor
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House Committee On Business and Labor,

My name Makeila and I live in Deschutes county. I helped my mom work at a farm for a summer when I was 7. These were difficult times for our family and the conditions at the farm made it even harder, it was hot and the farm was very big so it required an extreme amount of walking around. My mom would have to pull weeds, harvest the food, and help prepare for the farmers market. She would do this for multiple hours, several days a week during the growing season. She didnt get paid and did it for the box of leftover vegetables she would get. The people who ran this farm took advantage of her because she was in a time of need. I was luckily more privileged then other kids, i still got to hang out with the other kids at the farm for most of the time while my mom worked.

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, and the guarantee of a minimum wage.

Respectfully,
Joanne Mina on behalf of Makeila
Interfaith Movement for Immigrant Justice