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On Behalf Of: Oregon State Chamber of Commerce
Committee: House Committee On Business and Labor
Measure: HB2536

Chair Holvey and Members of the House Committee on Business & Labor -

The Oregon State Chamber of Commerce opposes HB 2536.

This is not a clear cut issue and we sympathize with the motivation behind the legislation. But the overriding concern here for private business is that the legislature is introducing a rather novel concept of dictating terms and conditions - including caps on pricing - in voluntary business to business contracts and transactions. We also oppose the introduction of a private right of action into the bill.

This is a road best not traveled. Opening the door for the legislature to intervene and set terms of private business to business contracts has unlimited application and would be an unacceptable and regrettable intrusion over time that would potentially affect all sectors of the economy.

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