

Submitter: Bill Hayden

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Labor and Business

Measure: SB907

Chair Taylor, Vice-Chair Bonham, and members of the Committee,
Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of SB 907. My name is Bill Hyden and I'm quite familiar with the working conditions of Oregon farm workers. And it is for this reason that I am in full support of SB 907.

Farm workers provide vital work for our state, often under very difficult working conditions, involving smoke and extreme heat. SB 907 would give workers the right to reasonably refuse work that could cause serious injury or death. It does not give workers an unfettered right to refuse work.

Not only would this bill protect workers, but it would ensure that they not have to sacrifice pay for their safety. This is important. No one should have to choose between paying their bills and their safety.

This bill makes good sense. I urge you to vote YES on SB 907. Thank you very much.

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