

April 5, 2023

TO: Senate Committee on Rules

FROM: LandWatch Lane County

SUBJECT: SB 1087

Chair Lieber, Vice-Chair Knoop, and Members of the Committee-

LandWatch Lane County is a small 501C(3) organization that was established in 1997. Our mission is to protect farm and forest lands for farm and forest uses, and to protect natural resources for future generations.

LandWatch is opposed to SB 1087, a bill introduced late in the session and which has not had any hearing or discussion in a land use related committee.

The bill is unnecessary as state law already allows for the sale of food through farm stands, which are appropriately limited to ensure that the income from food sales is subordinate to income from the sale of farm crops.

This bill was not a Lane County legislative priority and no action was taken by the Lane County Board of Commissioners in support of this bill.

I urge you to vote No on SB 1087 which is yet another slippery-slope attempt to undermine our farm and forestland protections.

Respectfully submitted,

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