Chair Helm, Vice Chairs Hartman and Owens, and members of the committee,

My name is Walter Englert, and I'm writing today in support of SB 507A, which will provide much needed improvements and upgrades to Oregon's Farm Direct Marketing Law first enacted in 2011.

As you know, SB 507A will:

- Include entities that assist small producers by aggregating, delivering, and assisting with the sale of FDML eligible products, into the FDML regulatory framework.
- Add steam canning and freeze drying to eligible processes that can be used for the production of preserves, jams, and canned fruit and vegetables.
- Improve consumer access to FDML products by allowing additional sales opportunities through consignment.
- Include certain herbal tea blends, juices, and maple syrup as eligible products under OR's FDML.

I urge your support for SB 507A. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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