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We do not need more government or more regulations! This bill would establish a sweeping, one-size-fits-all Agricultural Workforce Labor Standards Board with broad authority to impose new mandates on farms and ranches, regardless of their size or unique operations. Our community hosts many small ranchers and farmers who work with family and friends to get their work done. But this board would eliminate the direct relationship between employers and workers, replacing it with bureaucratic oversight that could accelerate job losses, increase costs, and force more family farms out of business. Oregon already has significant protections for farmworkers, and additional layers of government intervention will only create more red tape, uncertainty, and financial hardship for our agricultural community. Please do not impose this law on our community.