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On Behalf Of: Rosedale Fruit Farm
Committee: House Committee On Labor and Workplace Standards
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2548

Please do not move forward with HB 2548...my family farm cannot withstand any more rules and regulations. We are a small farm (75 acres) in Wasco County growing cherries and pears. Our yields have been varied the last several years due to freezes, extreme heat and rain. Our returns on our fruit have been dismal at best due to strong competition and weak markets. We have already implemented new ag overtime rules. We are facing extremely costly upgrades to our labor housing under new OSHA rules over the next three years. The past three years, our business expenses have exceeded our returns (income). I really do not know how we can continue to move forward given the existing climate - let alone adding more regulations.

I urge you to please OPPOSE HB 2548.

Thanks,
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