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As a lifetime resident (77 years) to the state of Oregon, I have watched the agricultural industry portion of our state change incrementally for the benefit of those people who are employed in that endeavor.

This has happened organically, and to think that another governmental body, paid for by the state taxpayers, will benefit them even more is inane.

I will agree that there are at rare times abuses of those groups, but from my observation, that abuse is rendered mostly by organized criminal cartels which should be addressed by existing law enforcement laws and statutes. If other abuse is taking place, that too can be addressed by law enforcement and the laws we already have in place.

We do NOT NEED another bureaucratic entity with additional authority to impede the beleaguered agricultural industry.