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I support SB 703 for numerous reasons, including the following:

+ We benefit from immigrants. Many of our farm workers are immigrants: they provide us with the food we need to live, and it is only just that we respond in kind by providing them with the support to become lawful residents and/or citizens.

+ Basic human rights are intrinsic to our founding documents & ethic, and yet those who are here without legal support are often deeply vulnerable to exploitation and mistreatment, to having their fundamental rights denied. Supporting the nonprofits that help immigrants navigate the path to becoming lawful residents or citizens aligns with honoring their fundamental rights.

+ My faith teaches me to welcome the stranger and the foreigner.