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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2548

I am writing today to tell you that I OPPOSE HB 2548.

If this bill passes farmers will no longer be in control of their operations. The "Agriculture Workforce Standards Board" - which will be made up of UNELECTED OFFICIALS - will

be dictating to farmers how they hire, train, manage, and even fire their own employees.

This bill will make it ILLEGAL to fire a farm worker unless the government says it's "for cause".

This bill opens the door for lawsuits, union power grabs, and crippling fines on OR farmers.

Farmers are already challenged by high costs, low margins and government overreach.

We can't allow this California-style takeover of our farms in OR happen through this bill!