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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4153

As a lifelong Oregonian I vehemently oppose this proposed legislation!

Connecting communities through food is a vital step toward insulating us from the inherent flaws of a centralized food system that can be brought down by a tech glitch, food safety issue or natural disaster thousands of miles away.

When I visit any of the 4 local farmstands in my area , I get the freshest produce possible and get to put dollars directly into the hands that grew it . I get to connect with neighbors and friends and their families over a ripe strawberry or a humungous head cabbage . Why on earth would you penalize our community for supporting small local farmers and ranchers and feeding ourselves food of the highest quality? Greed ? You want everything driven thousands of miles here on a truck ? Or only allow the largest and most profitable farms to have a stand ? You must oppose this legislation!