

Submitter: David Wilhite

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural
Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4153

My Name is David Wilhite and I am a resident on Oregon's south coast. I am writing to you today to express my opposition to HB 4153. We have several farm stands in our area, many near and accessible to the Hwy 101 transportation corridor. Farm stands are a vital part of connecting the public with our food system and providing sustainability and resiliency to the area. HB 4153 would have a negative impact on farm stands in our area. This bill would unfairly discriminate against and marginalize small farms and farm stands, replace current definitions with Farm Stores, and give large land owners privileges at the expense of small farm stands in Oregon. This is not a solution to promote sustainability and resilience in our food supply.

For the future of our small farms, please oppose this bill, HB4153

Thank you,
David Wilhite
Bandon, Oregon