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Small farming is important to me because it holds a very important place in my life as my family owned and ran a small farm, American history shows us the importance of how our ancestors and even the tribes that came before us were able to build these small communities around their farms, it's something that everyone stems from and is essential to our environment. Large commercial farms use unsustainable practices that are hurting wildlife and humans' health with harmful chemicals that run off into our water systems. These monopolies control 90% of the food supply market. Smaller farms promote biodiversity, providing fresher crops that are more nutritious while shortening supply chains. Small farms help with the local communities in rural areas, giving jobs and building connections within the community. We can clearly see why this bill would be created, so larger unethical corporations can control and further separate the wealth gap. I oppose HB 4153 there is a better solution.