

Submitter: Barbara Snyder

On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4153

Co-Chairs Helm and Owens, Vice-Chair Finger McDonald, and members of the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water:

As a community member in rural Coos County, Oregon, I am writing to you today to express my opposition to HB 4153. Farm stands are a vital part my personal weekly food system (as well as the entire community's food system). I shop for more than 1/2 my food at farm stands (that do not meet the acreage requirements of this bill) so that I have the healthiest freshest foods, and also to support my neighbors!!!! But HB 4153 would restrict who is allowed to have a farm stand, replace current definitions with Farm Stores, and give large land owners privileges at the expense of small farm stands in Oregon. I need these farm stands to maintain a healthy well rounded diet, and also to support the very very depressed economy in my rural area. This bill must be opposed for the sake of my community. Sincerely, Barbara Snyder, 1110 Harrison Ave SW, Bandon OR. 602-295-9499