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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4153

Dear Co-Chairs Helmet and Owens, Vice-Chair Finger McDonald, and members of the House committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water,

I am writing to you today as a concerned citizen regarding HB 4153. Farmstands should not be based on size, and larger is not always better. Small Farmstands contribute to diverse crops, smarter farming practices, and less use of pesticides.

As a resident of Oregon, I appreciate and support these practices. Monocrop production reduces diversity needed for pollinators, uses more water, and more pesticides. I appreciate the hard-working families that maintain small farms and the safe farming practices that reduce stress on the land, supports pollinators, and produces produce, and animals, with far less persistent chemical and pesticide residue. As Oregonians we should be supporting these small farms not making it harder for them, please oppose HB 4153.

Sincerely,

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