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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4153

My Name is Robert Kimbro and I am a COMMUNITY MEMBER and concerned voting citizen who strongly supports small family farms and strongly opposes any forceful effort by large farmers legislating to limit their competition. I am writing to you today to express my opposition to HB 4153. Farm stands are a vital part of connecting the public with our food system and building an understanding of what it takes to go from field to fork. 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. We need to find a better solution.

I care about this because the greed involved in the concept of bigger is better when it comes to basic agricultural rights of small farmers and needs of the citizenry is not right for Oregon. Take that mentality to Texas.