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On Behalf Of:

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

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4153

I have been an Oregon resident for 63 years, living and voting in Polk, Clackamas and Lane counties as a land owner since 1981. I strongly oppose HB 4153 because it destroys decades of careful land use planning that has protected prime agricultural and forest land from non-agricultural uses and unregulated sprawl. The bill digest says that HB 4153 "Allows counties to approve farm stores", but that is a lie; instead, it **REQUIRES** counties to permit myriad uses unrelated to agriculture, including but not limited to retail stores, events of any kind and size, amusement parks and commercial kitchens. This is **GOVERNMENT OVERREACH!** The state must **NOT** force counties to permit non-farm uses that do not fit their particular priorities and types of agriculture. HB 4153 would remove local control and prerogatives.