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Good Morning.

My name is Paul Peters. I am from Monmouth and have worked in the agricultural industry for 35 years as a Certified Crop Advisor and professional Agronomist.

The common refrain in all those years has been low farm product values. Costs to farm are already burdensome to the industry.

If this bill is enacted, farmers will be burdened with additional costs that cannot be passed on to consumers.

There is a strong possibility that this legislation will force producers out of business. That will imperil the livelihoods of the farm workers who this legislation seeks to assist.

Inexpensive food is an American expectation. That expectation does not accommodate the legislation presented.

Thank you.