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For the organizing bill

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From: Rep. Fritz, Mary
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2014 2:15 PM
To: Labor and Public Employees; Labor and Public Employees Committee Members
Subject: HB 5066

Dear Members of the Labor Committee,

If HB 5066 passes with the language in subsection 7 of section 4, which takes out the language "any person engaged in farming," the end result will be the destruction of agriculture in Connecticut. This proposal is not the first time – this was the end for the Mushroom Farm. 300 jobs were lost and the farm ended up in Pennsylvania.

We cannot destroy a 3 billion dollar business.

If you have any questions, please call me at home at 203-269-1169.

Sincerely,

Mary Fritz

HB 5066 AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN WORKERS' RIGHTS TO COLLECTIVELY BARGAIN.

(7) "Employer" means any person acting directly or indirectly in the interest of an employer in relation to an employee, but shall not include [any person engaged in farming, or] any person subject to the provisions of the National Labor Relations Act, unless the National Labor Relations Board has declined to assert jurisdiction over such person, or any person subject to the provisions of the Federal Railway Labor Act, or the state or any political or civil subdivision thereof or any religious agency or corporation, or any labor organization, except when acting as an employer, or any one acting as an officer or agent of such labor organization. An employer licensed by the Department of Public Health under section 19a-490 shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter with respect to all its employees except those licensed under chapters 370 and 379, unless such employer is the state or any political subdivision thereof;