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RE: Support SF4389

Dear Members of the Committee:

My name is Cory Whitmer. I live in Chaska, Minnesota and run a Landscaping and Garden Center based in the same town called The Mustard Seed. I am writing to you to show my support for SF4389. I feel this bill will help to clarify some of the confusion when it comes to the topic of when to pay Sales/Use tax, or not. I believe that the topic of Sales tax and Use tax is very confusing not just for the local businesses, but also the accountants that represent these businesses.

I have been dealing with this topic for a long time now, and it still gets confusing. As small businesses, we want to do what is right, but it is not always that easy when it comes to this topic. In the early 2000's we had an issue where we paid in the wrong manner even when our accountant and my team all thought we had done it the proper way but found out later that we were all wrong. It cost us extra money and time to fix this when all we wanted to do was to properly follow the tax code.

Please support this bill and any bill that helps bring clarity to Use/Sales tax for our industry. I appreciate your help on this topic.

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