

THE NONPROFIT Association of Oregon

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House Revenue Committee House of Representatives 900 Court St SE Salem, OR 97301

TO: Members of the House Revenue Committee RE: Public Testimony on HB2456-10

Dear Members of the Committee:

The Nonprofit Association of Oregon (NAO) applauds the Oregon House Leadership for hearing the voices of nonprofits from around the state and making the tough decision to keep the incentive for charitable contributions intact by including an exemption clause for those contributions in HB2456-10.

NAO recognizes that by keeping the charitable deduction, there will be a projected \$64 million gap in the state budget that the legislature must close. We also recognize that funding our state priorities for human services and education is vital. We fully support finding the necessary \$275 million identified in the Co-Chair's budget for these critical services.

Keeping the charitable deduction in place and funding human services is a win-win for Oregon communities.

Respectfully,

Jim White Executive Director