

I support this measure because the arts in Portland need help and they are an immensely important part of the cultural life blood of this city..of any city. Downtowns thrive when they house vibrant arts organizations. They help everything from businesses and restaurants to safety and the general well being of a city.

So many people in Portland rely on arts organizations for their livelihoods. They support themselves and their families through the work of these organizations and they need help and support from the state and the city. Please pass this bill to keep Portland cultural and beautiful and to keep the arts community healthy and strong.

Thank you,
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