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On Behalf Of: Portland opera

Committee: House Committee On Economic Development and Small Business

Measure: HB4124

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my full support for house bill 4124. As a classical musician in the Portland area I depend on arts organizations for my livelihood. The downtown area has been slow to improve and the organizations I work for (portland opera, oregon ballet theater) have felt the effects of this through fewer patrons and less donations. Some of our organizations are in real trouble and are depending on state funding in order to continue doing business. Last year's walk out in the legislature meant that this bill has been delayed causing even more harm. Please pass this bill and support our arts which are so important to our community. Thank you!