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It has been brought to my attention since I submitted my original testimony in opposition to this bill that I misunderstood what taxable commercial activity is, so please disregard that statement in my original testimony. It does not change my opinion, however. I still am opposed to this bill - exempting \$1 million is more than enough!

I would also like to suggest, after reading and trying to understand this bill and the original ORS it seeks to amend, that an attempt be made to write laws so that they are clear and easily understood by those affected by them, and not open to interpretation. I hear business owners complain all the time about all the regulations, and I see what they are complaining about. One should not have to hire an attorney to make sure one pays their taxes correctly. That feels like a gotcha. No wonder people hate government. Government should be for the people, meaning it should make our lives easier, not complicated by endless paper work that could land us in jail or subject us to heavy fines if we don't do it correctly.