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I am writing to express my support of SB686. Journalism is under threat. To say local news, in particular, is struggling is an understatement. It faces extinction. Yet it is a cornerstone of our democracy and the social fabric of our communities. Something must be done about this situation and this bill is a strong starting point. This bill has the potential to be a model and pulls inspiration smart legislation from other states. I'd ask you to support it. Sincerely, John Sutter / Assistant Professor of Environmental Media, University of Oregon