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On Behalf Of: Reject Tax Cuts for the Wealthy and Corporations

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB5006

Co-Chairs Lieber and Sanchez, and members of the committee,

We say we don't have the money to provide equitable access to quality education. But yet we let the ultra-rich and corporations get away with tax breaks, while hard working families barely get by. You have an opportunity to invest in Oregon and invest in the FUTURE of Oregon. Don't miss this chance! We are only going to see further and further tax breaks for the rich on a federal level - please think about our children and our working families.

I am asking you to focus on our immediate needs in your state budget. Protect Oregon Now by prioritizing investments in our families and communities.

Actions from the White House and GOP Congress are enriching billionaires but creating real harm in our state: job losses, higher prices, and economic instability for everyday people. Oregonians need you to protect us by holding steady.

As you build the state budget, we call on you to reject any new Oregon tax breaks for corporations or the ultra-wealthy. Please continue to hold the line against cuts to the most critical basic services Oregonians all rely on, even as unelected Billionaires like Elon Musk threaten them from DC. Should the worst happen in the future, Oregon has reserves, but we should cross that bridge when we come to it.

I also urge you to prepare for any coming economic downturn or federal funding reductions by doing what we know works to keep families stable: strategically investing in our communities and giving Oregonians more opportunities to thrive.

Please prioritize a state budget which protects Oregonians.

Thank you, Maya Pueo von Geldern