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On Behalf Of: A state budget to protect Oregonians

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB5006

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

Budgets are moral documents, and legislators must pay attention to those who are suffering. With federal cuts now and in the near future, I urge lawmakers to suspend the kicker.

As you build the state budget, we call on you to reject any new Oregon tax breaks for corporations or the ultra-wealthy, and to invest in Oregon families.

While uncertainty exists at a federal level, Oregon has reserves. I 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, and not handing new tax cuts to corporations and the wealthy.

Please prioritize a state budget which protects Oregonians rather than adding to the chaos.

Thank you,

John Mullin