

Submitter: Esther Friedman
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,

I have a child who depends on state health insurance and support from social service agencies for medical and developmental concerns; without this support I could not work and my child would face insurmountable medical debt as well as difficulty accessing services, which would have consequences for our entire family. I have worked in public services my entire career and I know firsthand the impact those services make, particularly for children. We need to preserve our schools, our services, and our emphasis on employment opportunities in order to have a strong healthy society and a future for our children. Please follow the 80 year tradition of a government that focuses on working for the people, not for oligarchs and corporations.

Please Protect Oregon Now by prioritizing investments in our families and communities.

As you build the state budget, I hope you will reject any new Oregon tax breaks for corporations or the ultra-wealthy. Actions in DC are creating harm and uncertainty but in Oregon we need to invest in opportunities for working families. Oregonians need well funded schools, health plans, good paying jobs, and other critical services.

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

Thank you,

Esther Friedman