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Dear Chair Meek & Committee Members: Oregon's estate tax exemption is the lowest in the nation and in today's economy captures those with even modest estates. Most neighboring states do not impose a state estate tax. Washington's exemption is more than double ours. I can't see the Democrats going for S485 as written. Accordingly, I'd propose an amendment to keep the tax in place but raise the exemption to at least match Washington's (but preferably more). That's reasonable and should be doable. Please give us working families a break. Thank you for your consideration.