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As a lifelong Oregon resident and witnessing the current economic conditions in Portland I strongly support this bill. Portland needs a revitalized downtown and to bring energy back to the city and give people more reasons to spend time and resources in Downtown Portland. The opposition to the bill notes that money will be diverted from the current needs to support this which isn't accurate. This tax would bring in "new" money that currently doesn't exist by bringing MLB to Portland. It is important to understand that this bill does not take existing funds to support the stadium, the funds are purely the result of bringing MLB to Portland. Portland needs large projects like this to support working class families that would construct this facility and the surrounding areas which this project would support. The project would be sustainable jobs to downtown for many years to come.