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On Behalf Of:

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Topic:

As Publisher of two rural southern Oregon news organizations, I would like to express my strong support for Senate Bill 1580. The Klamath Falls Herald and News and the Lake County Examiner have long supported the quality journalism that is the backstop of Democracy in Oregon.

For nearly 20 years the technology companies have benefited from our content; in many cases direct advertising dollars that supported our journalism were diverted to the largest tech companies that scrape our content.

In the southwest corner of Oregon, we are the largest local news gathering organization remaining. We employ 25 hard working Oregonians. This bill will allow us to continue to support their great work.