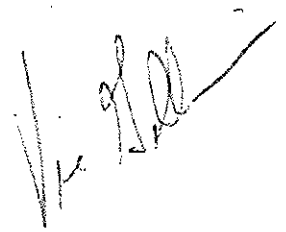


From the office of Representative Vic Gilliam



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To Members of the Oregon State Legislature:

The Oregon State Chamber of Commerce is a state wide group of sixty four chambers of commerce. The chambers are made up of small businesses that join together to promote commerce and improve livability in the districts that you represent. They are the small businesses that create jobs and make communities viable. These people are active members of the communities that make Oregon Oregon. They do not have a lot of time to be involved in the political discourse that goes on in Salem.

The state chamber tries to advise them when measures that may pass will be detrimental to their business. HB3390 is such a bill and we have advised them to contact their reps and committee members about how it would affect their business. You should be getting messages from them about the bill.

We believe HB 3390 is a measure that will reduce income for government. It is another mandate that discourages small businesses to expand and create jobs. It will add expenses that will reduce taxable income. We believe most small businesses provide as many benefits as they can afford to in an effort to take care of their employees. By adding these costs we believe many small businesses will need to reduce other benefits offered to employees. It will make them less profitable when they must compete with states that are not required to provide paid sick leave. We should be helping businesses so they can provide more jobs so our tax income increases. More mandates on business will reduce taxable income for Oregon.

We are asking that you not pass HB 3390.

Sincerely,

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