



On behalf of the A Better Oregon coalition, we urge a Yes vote on HB 2770 and No vote on HB 2063.

A Better Oregon is a coalition demanding adequate funding for schools, health care, care for seniors, and other critical services that support Oregon families and strengthen Oregon's economy. For too long, our dead-last corporate taxes have left our classrooms among the most crowded in the nation, thousands of seniors living in poverty, and working families across Oregon without health care. The reason for this is clear— Here in Oregon we allow corporations to pay the lowest taxes in the country.

At issue is a 2015 tax break that proved ineffective at encouraging Google to invest in a broadband network in Oregon. However, Comcast tried to use this break to cut millions of dollars off their taxes by claiming to offer an expensive service that few if any customers could actually buy.

Instead of trying to fix this flawed tax break, as HB 2063 would attempt to do, we urge the Legislature to eliminate it entirely by passing HB 2770. Right now Oregon just can't afford to give more breaks to companies like Comcast. Comcast made \$8.7 billion in after-tax profits last year, but owes more than \$145 million in Oregon property taxes. If legislators want to give Comcast another tax break, it will be at the expense of the schools and public services Oregonians depend on.

Oregon is already a top corporate welfare state. It's time to start prioritizing Oregon families over corporate profits.