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Chair Hass and members of the Senate Finance and Revenue Committee,

As an Oregon resident and tax payer, I urge this committee to repeal the small business pass-through tax break in Section 10 of SB 1527.

We live in a time of unprecedented economic abundance, but everyday people in Oregon have little to show for it because growth and profits have become ever more concentrated in the hands of a wealthy few. While ostensibly targeted toward small businesses, an estimated ninety-nine percent of this tax break's benefits ultimately flow to those with incomes over \$100,000. Now is not the time to be continuing further tax breaks for those who are already reaping the rewards of our society while funds for our public schools, health care, housing, and other infrastructure only ever seem to get cuts.

Our representatives need to start listening to the families in our state who are struggling, not business owners who can afford to hire lobbyists to expand their profits.

Respectfully,

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