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

In reference to Section 11 of SB 1527, this committee should repeal the Oregon personal tax break on the income of business owners. This legislation, passed in a special session in 2013, primarily benefits the high earning businesses. We should be retaining all \$200 million per biennium to pay for our schools, funding for mental health services for our veterans, affordable housing, the list is long.

I am a teacher here in Portland Public Schools, our schools are hurting right now, we need to invest in our children with smaller class sizes, special education services, art and dance programs, technology training, and all of these services take money. Our homeless population is out of control, I look around and it looks like we live in a third world country, we need affordable housing, we need mental health services, we need rehabilitation services, we need a place to house our houseless.

I firmly stand in opposition of the Trump Tax Scam that just got rammed through at the federal level, I reject austerity measures that need to be put in place so the 1% can continue to not pay into the society that enriches them. SB 1527 needs to pass so we can have a more just, fair and equal society for all.

Respectfully, Ami Fox