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Dear Members of the Senate Revenue Committee,

I write in regards to your consideration of legislation on pass-through business income. We live in perilous economic times, with homelessness and economic inequality on the rise while the stock market booms (with the exception of the last couple days) to the benefit of those who already enjoy plentiful resources.

Your committee has an opportunity to be a model and leader on this issue, by treating all people as equal, rather than giving business owners special status. It is my hope that you will strongly consider refusing to apply to Oregon taxes the new business-owner tax break recently passed by the US Congress. Were you to also ditch the state tax break on the business income, we could save a whopping \$600 million per biennium.

This enormous amount of money could be directed to address the needs of everyday Oregonians. Taking the lead in this direction could also shows other states' legislatures that viable, principled alternatives exist.

Thank you for your consideration and for all your hard work on behalf of the people of Oregon,  
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