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 SB 1527

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To the Finance and Revenue Committee:

I am writing to strongly oppose SB 1527. This bill gives a special tax break to business owners. There was a time when owners expected their businesses to make it in the free enterprise system, not by getting lower tax rates than what their employees pay. But this so-called "pass through" giveaway may give an extra \$200 million per biennium to business owners. This special giveaway should simply be eliminated by the Finance and Revenue Committee.

Likewise, I strongly oppose the even more expensive SB 1529—the Trump business owner tax break for 2018. I have read that if we let this federal tax break apply in Oregon, the combined bills, SB 1527 and SB 1529, could cost the state at least \$500 million. C'mon Senators, do the right thing—stop these two bills now and keep it fair for all Oregon taxpayers.

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