

**From:** Roberta Hall  
**To:** [LRO](#)  
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To: Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue

Re: Discussions of SB 1527 and 1529

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I am writing to ask you to consider disconnecting Oregon from certain provisions of the federal tax law that would reduce the income that the state needs. This past year Oregon faced a revenue shortfall that resulted in considerable effort to fund a number of healthcare services that the legislature believed needed funding. Ultimately, Measure 101 received popular approval and kept health care funding for many children and adult low income residents. This solution was good for Oregon, but we do not wish to repeat the experience—we wish to plan ahead. Using SB 1527 and 1529 could help us do that.

The federal government has offered reductions in taxes for some tax-payers—but not all and some impact our state taxes. Oregon's needs for healthcare, for education, and for general social services still exist and we need to use the resources we have to meet them. Disconnecting from the federal tax reductions and using that money within our budgetary system would help us address what was often said during the M 101 campaign: that we in Oregon should find the funds for health care without temporary taxes. We need long-term solutions.

Thank you for your consideration!