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Senate Revenue Committee,

I'm writing to strongly urge you to be FAIRER about pass-through business income this session. Just because some of us are business owners, does not mean we should get special treatment on tax breaks, because business owners generally do better than the people who work FOR them, anyway. We're all in this together and so we should ALL be treated the same.

Example: You could find savings of \$200 million by getting rid of the tax break on business INCOME.

And, if you also don't allow the new business owners' tax break that Congress just passed to apply to Oregon taxes—this will save us another \$400 million per biennium!

Together, just these two small changes could save us \$600 million for the work the state really SHOULD be doing. And that's not chump change! Add this to other tax changes to address income inequality and then we're really cooking with gas!

Sincerely, Robin Bloomgarden