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

The legislature should disconnect from the Internal Revenue Code as it pertains to the pass-through business tax break. I urge you to not allow the new business owners' tax break that the GOP passed to apply to Oregon businesses. This would retain an estimated \$400 million per biennium.

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. We are tired of income inequality based on a rigged system-- time to stop subsidizing the wealthy! The reduced tax rate for certain owners of pass-through businesses is a flawed policy, and should be eliminated.

Respectfully,

Ami Fox