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Dear Committee Members,

I can hardly believe that in these times of failing public services and record high business profits, that consideration would even be given for further tax breaks for business.

As I'm sure you know, business taxes have steadily been cut already so they are now providing less than half the percentage of revenue collection that they used to.

Measure 97 wasn't passed. Everyone said they would work to get more revenue from business. So instead we are considering more tax breaks for business. Please give the public a break instead!

Please create legislation so that business income cannot be taxed at a lower rate than personal income. You have the opportunity to do this with SB 1527 and 1529 by the amendment process.

I just got back from teaching a class at our local public school even though I am retired. This is because people are not going into and staying in teaching. Let's get real and not extend more breaks to business. This means not extending the provisions of the recently passed federal tax bill regarding business tax cuts to Oregon taxes at all.

Thank you for your consideration.

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