



## Oregon's Local Business Communities Continue to Oppose SB 1528-B

*SB 1528-B again is a missed opportunity to fuel local small business growth*

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**SB 1528-B** denies local pass-through businesses (the VAST majority of all of our local businesses) over \$180 million per year in job-creating tax cuts that they would otherwise receive in the federal tax cut legislation. These are important tax cuts that are meant to make small business tax rates competitive with the new, lower federal corporate tax rates.

Retained earnings, cash flow and working capital are absolutely essential to the health of small businesses. Without retained earnings and cash flow, nothing else matters. SB 1528-B effectively takes over \$1 billion of cash flow out of Oregon small businesses over the next 6 years.

**For an income tax dependent state that requires the creation of private sector jobs to fund public services, this is a counter-productive policy.** It is made even more counter-productive when fully connecting to the federal tax law (including the 20% pass-through deduction) will cost the state nothing out pocket, and will in fact yield more revenue to the state long term.

The Oregon legislature again has the opportunity to fuel small business growth by connecting fully to the federal tax cuts and leaving the pass-through deduction alone. It will yield over \$1 billion in working capital to Oregon's local pass-through businesses and it won't cost the state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Colene Martin". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Colene Martin  
OSCC 2018 Chair

From the Desk of  
Senator Jackie Winters