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OrEducation in our state has been woefully underfunded for decades. I have taught here for almost 20 years and have seen class sizes raise from classes in the mid 20's to now over 40 kids in a room. I have seen reductions in services and programs leaving us with a skeleton of a system that is focused on preparing kids for big tests. Schools are funded by taxpayer dollars. Citizens of our state pay significant property and income taxes while big corporations, raking in record profits, do not pay their fair share. Lets fully fund education, lets fix PERS, but please do not do it on the backs of educators and public servants who are already giving so much, and in many cases, receiving so little. Force big business to invest in Oregon's future by paying their fair share.

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