I am writing today in SUPPORT of SB 531, stating that businesses could be reimbursed for actual damages from business closures required by emergency rules or order.

Many Oregon businesses have been forced to close due to the COVID-19 pandemic. But these are not just businesses. These are people's lives. Small business owners provide the bulk of jobs in Oregon. Many were forced to close, leaving the owners and employees in a bind. In many cases, these businesses will not reopen.

Please vote in favor of Oregon's small businesses. In favor of Oregon's small business owners. In favor of Oregonians that have lost their livelihood. In favor of common sense and decency.

Thank you, Ron Kutch

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