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On Behalf Of: Protect Oregon Now
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB5006

Co-Chairs Lieber and Sanchez, and members of the committee,

As you build the state budget, we call on you to reject any new Oregon tax breaks for corporations or the ultra-wealthy, and to invest in Oregon families.

While uncertainty exists at a federal level, Oregon has reserves. I urge you to prepare for any coming economic downturn or federal funding reductions by doing what we know works to keep families stable: strategically investing in our communities and giving Oregonians more opportunities to thrive, and not handing new tax cuts to corporations and the wealthy.

I believe businesses will want to come to Oregon even without big tax breaks if we show them we are supporting our communities so that they will have consumers with the stability to afford the things they make. Let's try trickle up economics that we know works.

Please prioritize a state budget which protects Oregonians rather than adding to the chaos.

Thank you,
Sarah Aaserude