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To: House Committee on Revenue

From: Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN)

Re: HB 4016 – Tax Compliance for Public Contracts

Date: February 2, 2026

Chair Nathanson, Vice-Chair Werner Reschke, Vice-Chair Walters, and Members of the House Committee on Revenue:

The Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN) supports HB 4016, as we supported HB 2084-5 in 2025. We strongly urge you to pass this important legislation this year.

COIN is a coalition of over 50 local Indivisible groups throughout Oregon that cooperate and amplify their joint efforts to advance important federal and state legislation and engage with elected officials to promote progressive causes for the benefit of all Oregonians.

It would seem like common sense that people who get public contracts obey the tax laws of the state, cities and counties and must show proof of compliance with the tax laws. Further, it should be an expectation that public contractors demonstrate and maintain tax compliance as a condition of the execution of a public contract. Current laws requiring only that contractors sign a form stating that they comply with all of Oregon's tax laws makes it too easy for bad actors to cheat the system, as recent investigative reports have found ([The Oregonian 7-22-24](#) and [Willamette Week 1-22-25](#)).

Please vote YES on HB 4016 to ensure that contractors benefiting from Oregon's tax revenue are, in turn, paying their fair share back into the system.

Respectfully,

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On behalf of the Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN)