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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4125

Our family lives in District 3 and we have two children at Grout Elementary, a Title 1 school. We care about Oregon and the promise of our public school system to build the future of our state and nation, but we see the impacts of chronic underfunding in Oregon's education system every day. The data is clear: our tax code is irresponsible and unstable and has undermined the prosperity of our school systems for decades.

There is an obvious and necessary solution: reforming the kicker. We as a state MUST be willing to make these reforms to stabilize the general fund. We SUPPORT HB 4125 and urge you to speak out boldly in favor of this bill and pass it into law. As the federal "Big Beautiful Bill" legislation starts to take effect, Oregon's General Fund will require a solid foundation, and the current Kicker is a perpetual crack in that foundation. Let's have a revenue prediction system that ensures investment in our children and the future prosperity of our state.

Sincerely,
Barbara Stettler