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On Behalf Of:
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Hi, my name is Jalena Turner. I am a constituent of Portland Public Schools. I also work for Portland Public Schools. My children are students at Marysville Elementary School and Kellogg Middle School. I care about Oregon and its students. I support HB 4125 to modernize the kicker. Now is the time to effect change and reform Oregon taxes to benefit our children and the future.

Currently, there is not enough money to go around. A stable, growing General Fund is a part of the answer to help fill in where necessary.

House Bill 4125 makes budget predictions more reliable, so that if economists are "off" on their predictions, we won't have massive cash paybacks to the wealthiest Oregonians, while our public programs, and thus our communities suffer.

I am asking lawmakers to speak out loudly 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 needs a strong foundation, and the Kicker is a perpetual crack in that foundation. Let's create a revenue prediction system that ensures investment in our children and our state.

Thank you,

Jalena Turner