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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Revenue
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4125

Hello, Chair Nathanson and Co-Vice Chairs Reschke and Walters,
I am a constituent from SE Portland and my children are students at Atkinson
Elementary School in PPS. We care about Oregon and its students. We support HB
4125 to modernize the kicker. Now is the time to effect change and reform Oregon
taxes to benefit children and the state. I am sick and tired of the continuous lack of
funding for schools, starting with Measure 5 and then with Measure 50. We are
continuously failing generations of Oregon children - and simultaneously damaging
our business climate by failing to attract talented employees with families to our city
due to the failures of our schools.

The structure of the Kicker right now is destabilizing to the General Fund. Without a
stable, growing General Fund, public education will never get a big enough piece of
the pie. The Revenue Forecast Modernization Act or HB 4125 makes budget
predictions less high stakes for our children and communities. I'm calling on you, my
lawmaker, 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 in the
future small business in our state.

Sincerely,
Beth Robidoux