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Dear Chair Broadman, Vice Chair McLane and Members of the
Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue,

On behalf of the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce and the businesses, organizations and individuals we represent throughout Douglas County, I respectfully, but ardently, oppose SB 1507 and the –4 and –5 Amendments, as further devastating Oregon’s business climate and economic future.

Over recent years, we have witnessed Oregon’s declining business competitiveness due in large part to state tax burden. Disconnecting from federal tax law would only further our downward slide. Oregon businesses already face one of the highest tax burdens in the country. One of the few rays of hope for Oregon employers is our current connection to federal tax law. The proposed disconnect consequence of higher taxes, will result in lessened business investment, growth and expansion and, therefore, job loss. Like businesses, especially small businesses, many Oregonians will be financially harmed by a disconnect that disallows the advantages offered in HR 1.

Oregon competes with 49 other US states for business. But, we aren’t competing. We aren’t competitive. We’re losing. Oregon will continue to see businesses—good businesses, good employers—leave this state. When Oregon’s leadership should be taking action to encourage economic investment and create an environment where our state can, once again, be prosperous, we see proposed legislation like SB 1507 –4 and –5 which does just the opposite.

The time for talk about addressing Oregon’s lagging economy is over. The time for meaningful action that supports that “talk” is now. Please vote “No” on the –4 and –5 amendments and tell Oregonians and Oregon businesses that their financial stability, that their future matters. Let your “No” vote reflect action in the right direction and that you place a high priority on Oregon’s economy and future prosperity.

Respectfully submitted,

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To advocate for and be the voice of the business community in the greater Roseburg area.

To strengthen, enhance and protect our members through political advocacy, economical development, community promotion and member programs and services.