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On Behalf Of:
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1507

I oppose SB1507.

I am a lifelong Oregonian, working a full time job for a manufacturing company in Canby, OR. My company is moving it's operations out of Oregon by June. I will transition to fully remote status, but I am not sure how long that will last. I have started two sole proprietor businesses, one in 2014, the other in 2024. My hope is to grow them both in order to start making money to be able to put money aside, but I am not sure that Oregon is the place to do it. Oregon continues to tax more and more, not just the citizens, but the small businesses like mine. I do not make much money from either of these businesses, so taking more taxes from my very hard earned money is disheartening. Oregon politicians need to take a much harder look at where the tax funds collected are going to. Too many programs being funded, too many state employees, PERS mismanagement, ODOT mismanagement, etc. When Oregonians say they can't take on the burden of more taxes, the state needs to listen. With the 4th highest unemployment in the country, Oregonians are looking at ways to save for a rainy day, but the fear of more taxes is causing so much anxiety. We need responsibility in our government. We need politicians to look out for Oregonians as a whole, not just those that scream the loudest. Let's work together to find waste or mismanagement and not just raise taxes. Oregon can do better!

Thank you for your time!

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