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On Behalf Of:

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To: Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue

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RE: SB 1507 - Tax Disconnect

As a human living in the United States in 2026, I have chosen not to have a family because of some of the expenses of child care and wanting to be able to support my family but not knowing if I would be able to because the current costs are unattainable. I can't imagine asking families and single parents who are already doing so much to then sacrifice potentially a meal on their table or field trip opportunity for their child because of a child care cost. The rest of the world has figured this out, what has taken us so long? If we're going to claim to be pro-life, then we need to take care of the young people in our community

Essential state and federal services that millions of Oregonians rely on are at risk of severe funding cuts due to H.R. 1 and the Trump Administration's agenda. While Oregon faces the loss of billions in federal funds, the wealthiest earners and out-of-state corporations stand to gain massive tax breaks. This is unacceptable for our state and its people.

If we do not decouple from these federal tax codes, Oregon will be forced to make devastating cuts to essential services that millions rely on. Without action, the impacts will be severe: Employment-Related Day Care will run out of money by January 2027 unless the current legislature fills its \$88 million shortfall; food banks will be overwhelmed as federal SNAP funds are withdrawn, leaving critical gaps in food security; hundreds of thousands of Oregonians stand to lose health care coverage due to the largest funding cut in Medicaid/Oregon Health Plan history. These are just a few examples of what's at risk if we remain bound to a federal system that prioritizes tax breaks for the wealthy over the well-being of our communities.

It's pouring in Oregon. I urge you not to bend the knee to the Trump Administration and disconnect from the federal tax codes so that Oregonians don't lose the essential services we heavily rely on.

Thank you,

Tia Nordstrand