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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1507

Dear Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue,

Please support this bill and make sure that any amendments continue to support Oregon's budget and ease the burden on low and moderate Oregonians as described in the 2/2 Capitol Chronicle article.*

I do not know the details of the amendments floated-- please ensure that any amendments maintain or enhance the above goals.

Given the outsized tax advantages HR1 gave to extremely rich people and already tax privileged corporations and the harm that is causing to low and middle income folks-- i.e. it is an unfair system-- I fully support decoupling.

Remember, in 1950 Congress _raised_ the top tax rate to 91% and the corporate tax rate to 45%.** The 1950s is often considered, especially by Republicans, a period when the economy thrived.

Taxes aren't bad. They just need to be pointed at those who have excess and used for good.

Sincerely,
Helena Birecki

*<https://oregoncapitalchronicle.com/2026/02/02/oregon-dems-propose-partial-split-from-federal-tax-code-preserving-291-million-for-state/>

**<https://bipartisanpolicy.org/issue-brief/u-s-tax-reform-timeline-1945-present/>