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I am strongly in favor of a responsible solution to ensure the Trail Blazers remain in Portland for the long-term. The direct economic impact to our city and state is proven and critical. I also experience the benefit through Special Olympics Oregon, which has benefited from grants, board members from the Blazers and Moda Center, support from players, etc. Finally, the indirect benefit is just as important. Take a NBA team out of Portland and you lose the media coverage, the vibrancy of a city that attracts employees and other events. I am strongly in favor of SB 1501 -- it is responsible and the ROI is critical. Thank you!