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STATE PREDICTS RECORD REVENUE DESPITE RECKLESS SPENDING

SALEM, Ore. – On Wednesday, state economists presented the <u>June Economic and Revenue Forecast</u> which showed that, despite Democrats' reckless spending and management of our state economy over the last decade, state government is projected to bring in record revenue – a 12% increase from the previous biennium.

"Despite this ominous headline about a drop in anticipated revenue, the state still expects RECORD revenue this coming biennium, up 12% from 23-25. We don't have a revenue problem. We have a spending problem. Republicans stand united in requiring agencies to focus on their core mission and make the best use of Oregonians hard-earned tax dollars.", said Representative Ed Diehl (R-Stayton).

"We're proud to be part of the Loyal Opposition. The 40 years of far-left policies have exploded in businesses and employers leaving Oregon. We see \$9 trillion of economic investments pledged for the United States and counting. It's a tragedy that none of those dollars are coming to our state. The reasons are obvious and are clearly due to Democrat policies that continuously hurt all Oregonians. The less than anticipated Revenue Forecast is contrary and not the Trump Administrations fault," said **Representative Court Boice (R-Gold Beach)**.

"It's no surprise that Democrats who've spent years passing policies that weaken our economy, are united to point fingers at anyone but themselves. They blame tariffs and federal uncertainty as the cause of our weakened economy. The truth is the blood is on their hands, decades of high taxes, excessive regulation and mismanagement of funds is the real reason why our economy is not as strong as it could be," said **Representative Darin Harbick (R-Rainbow)**.