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Oregon House Democrats Release "Pledge to Every Oregonian"

House Democrats make pledge to every Oregonian with a focus on a handful of key policy areas

SALEM – The Oregon House Democrats released their "Pledge to Every Oregonian" today, making a pledge to build a future where every Oregonian has access to the best that Oregon has to offer. The caucus will be focused during the session on investing in public education, improving health care, combating climate change, supporting affordable housing, strengthening our economy, and protecting civil rights.

"Oregon House Democrats represent a broad and diverse cross-section of our state," said House Majority Leader Jennifer Williamson. "The work we have done over recent legislative sessions have expanded opportunity and protected individual rights. This year, we will continue that work to move our state forward."

The pledge lays out a legislative vision for the House Democrats and communicates the values of the caucus in the lead up to the legislative session that begins in earnest on Tuesday, Jan. 22.

The 2019 agenda, titled "Our Pledge to Every Oregonian," focuses on these key areas: Investing in Quality Public Education
Fighting for the Right to Health Care
Combating Climate Change
Supporting Affordable Housing and Safer Communities
Defending Our Environment
Strengthening Our Economy
Ensuring Government is Responsible and Effective
Seeking Access to Justice and Equal Rights for All

"Oregonians spoke loud and clear this year that they want to see transformative change for our state," said Assistant House Majority Leader John Lively (D-Springfield), who led the process that created the agenda. "We are ready to get to work to build a better future for every Oregonian."

To read the entire policy agenda document, <u>click here</u>.