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House GOP Caucus Budget Chair Greg Smith Issues Statement on Governor Brown's Proposed Budget

SALEM, Ore. – [House Republican Caucus Budget Chair Greg Smith \(R-Heppner\)](#) issued the following statement regarding Governor Brown's proposed budget:

“The financial shortfall our state is facing in the next biennium will require lawmakers from both parties to thoroughly review the budgets of every state agency. There can be no tax dollars wasted. We must review every line item and ensure that we are a delivering an ultra-efficient state government to the people of Oregon.”

“As lawmakers representing different parties, different communities and fundamentally different perspectives, we must also pledge to set aside our differences in the pursuit of a more sustainable fiscal future. That means being hyper vigilant in making sure we do not repeat some of the mistakes we have made in the past, such as the Business Energy Tax Credit program and Cover Oregon, and truly prioritizing the programs Oregonians rely on from their state government. I am hopeful that we will be able to come together in pursuit of a budget that acknowledges the need for spending reform, while also ensuring that our most critical services are not compromised.”

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