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House Republicans Championed Legislation that Improves Public Safety, Access to Rural Health Care, Fought to Defeat Legislation that Raises Cost of Living

SALEM, Ore. — On the last day of the 2026 Legislative Session, Republicans celebrated passing legislation that improves public safety and access to health care, and fought to reduce taxes and regulations that harm hardworking Oregonians.

Public Safety

[House Bill 4045](#) aims to protect victims of stalking and domestic violence by requiring communications companies to respond to search warrants within five business days, while [House Bill 4151](#) increases the penalty for swatting in cases that cause serious injury or death.

Rural Health Care

[House Bill 4075](#) secured funding for Oregon’s only publicly-owned large-scale hospital on the Oregon coast, the Bay Area Hospital in Coos Bay, while [House Bill 4047](#) requires the Oregon Health Authority to adopt rules and procedures to allow a hospital to apply for a license as a rural emergency hospital.

Protected Second Amendment Rights

Republicans successfully amended [House Bill 4145](#) with an [amendment](#) that removes the bill’s harmful gun control regulations and delays the implementation of Measure 114 until 2028.

Affordability

Republicans successfully defeated [SJR 201](#), which aimed to take a portion of Oregonian’s kicker and prevented [Senate Bill 1511](#) from passing, which would have hurt businesses by significantly raising the estate tax exemption.

Republicans fought to defeat [Senate Bill 1599](#), which moves the gas tax referendum to the May primary election, but Democrats chose to disenfranchise Oregon voters, who overwhelmingly opposed it.

Republicans also fought to defeat [Senate Bill 1507](#), but Democrats chose to strip \$311 million in federal tax breaks from local businesses and Oregon families.

“This session, as Democrats passed legislation that focused on opposing the federal administration, Republicans fought to deliver real solutions that cut costs and improve the livelihoods of the people we serve here in Oregon,” said **House Republican Leader Lucetta Elmer (R-McMinnville)**. “We will continue to listen to Oregonians, elevate their concerns, and fight against policies that harm them, their families, and their livelihoods.”

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