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Sine Die: Tumultuous Legislative Session Officially Adjourns

SALEM, OR – The 2023 Oregon Legislative Session officially adjourned today. The session began with a commitment from Democrat Leadership to focus on bipartisan priorities for the benefit of all Oregonians. A noteworthy amount of time was spent on the most divisive and partisan issues in America: expansion of abortion and gender transition treatment for minors at the expense of Oregon taxpayers, along with more limitations on Oregonians’ Second Amendment rights.

After lengthy negotiations, some of the more extreme elements of the Democrat agenda were successfully rolled back.

“Republicans fought every day to protect Oregonians’ parental rights and the Constitutional rights of law-abiding gun owners. Despite a promise of working together on Oregon’s most pressing issues, Democrats prioritized bills that were simply too extreme for Oregon. I am proud of the work we did to limit the impact of these devastating bills,” **said House Republican Leader Vikki Breese-Iverson (R-Prineville)**.

Some of the House Republican priorities which did cross the finish line include protecting the kicker for Oregon taxpayers, creating more tax credits, addressing key needs for housing and homelessness across the state, and cracking down on the fentanyl crisis. In addition, House Republicans successfully reduced Oregon’s burdensome estate tax for farming, fishing, and forestry families. Significant public safety improvements were also made by tightening laws around retail theft and protecting Oregon’s infrastructure from targeted attacks.

“I am proud of the work our members did in representing their communities and all Oregonians. Despite being in the minority this session, we successfully used our voice to get results by limiting some of the really bad, and elevating some of the really good policy, coming out of this session. House Republicans guarded the kicker, protected our natural resource families, and found some common-sense reform to Measure 110. Republicans remain committed to making Oregon a place people want to work, live, and raise a family,” **said House Republican Vikki Leader Breese-Iverson (R-Prineville)**.

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