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House Speaker Tina Kotek releases statement on quarterly economic and revenue forecast

Oregon House Speaker Tina Kotek issued the following statement today following the release of the latest quarterly state economic and revenue forecast:

“Today’s positive revenue forecast is good news for our budgetary efforts. However, I’m troubled by the disconnect between these numbers and the economic pain on the ground for so many Oregonians.

“We have lost 150,000 jobs during this pandemic. Many low-wage workers will need years to recover, and the recession has only worsened existing income inequality. There is still a lot of economic uncertainty going forward, and our recovery will continue to depend on controlling the virus and receiving more help from the federal government.

“This crisis demands bolder actions in the areas of housing, wildfire recovery and financial assistance to the hardest-hit households. I look forward to working with my colleagues to reinvest some available dollars in the coming weeks to help Oregonians who need us to step up and help them.”

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