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Tim Sekerak
Chief Clerk of the House
Oregon State Legislative Assembly

May 22, 2018

Dear Chief Clerk Sekerak,

I wish to submit the following explanation for my aye vote on House Bill 4301.

Small businesses are the heart and soul of many communities across the state – including the part of the state I am honored to represent, which includes the coastal portions of Coos, Douglas, Lane and Lincoln counties. Thanks to their tireless work and dedication, small business owners are growing and creating opportunities for Oregonians every day.

This legislation was fundamentally about creating equity within the tax system we currently have, which is why I voted to support it. Still, there are more businesses left out of this proposal that I would like to see. It's important to ensure that is true equity within the tax code. Which is why I will continue to work so that more businesses like the ones all along the South Coast that employ timber, agricultural and other seasonal and part-time employees, are able to utilize this benefit.

I look forward to working on a comprehensive strategy focused on growth, competitiveness, and workforce preparation, so we can ensure Oregon remains an attractive place to do business.

Sincerely,

Rep. Caddy McKeown