

JANEEN SOLLMAN  
STATE SENATOR  
DISTRICT 15



OREGON STATE SENATE

2/17/2026  
RE: SENATE BILL 1512

Secretary Rutledge,

I voted YES on SB 1512 because the numbers don't lie.

The Prosperity 10,000 Program delivers a 6-to-1 return on investment. Every \$35 million invested generates \$219 million in economic benefit—\$23 million in new tax revenue and \$195 million in reduced social service costs.

Over 10,000 Oregonians have been served. The average wage is \$22.73/hour. These are real people landing real jobs.

The program works because it removes barriers—childcare, housing, transportation—that keep Oregonians out of the workforce. When people can get to work, they do. And when they work, Oregon's economy grows.

SB 1512 strengthens this program by aligning training with local job openings, maintaining the requirement that 50% of participants are women, and allowing Oregon to draw down 50% federal reimbursement. It's smart policy that makes our tax dollars work harder.

This vote protects the infrastructure that connects Oregonians to high-wage careers and keeps our economy competitive.

I voted yes because workforce development is economic development.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janeen Sollman".

Senator Janeen Sollman  
Senate District 15