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## **Speaker Rayfield calls for investments to support schools, working families, small businesses following strong revenue forecast**

SALEM – Today, Oregon House Speaker Dan Rayfield (D-Corvallis) issued the following statement after the release of the latest quarterly state economic and revenue forecast:

“After two incredibly difficult years, today’s news means we can make critical investments in our schools, working families, and small business.

“We need to seize this opportunity to invest in our schools, particularly given the burnout many frontline workers in education are feeling.

“We need to support working families and small businesses by investing in skills training and helping people start and expand small businesses.

“We need to do whatever we can to bring down the cost of living for hardworking Oregonians, particularly individuals and families in need of affordable housing. That means making smart investments to help Oregonians cover everyday necessities like rent, mortgage payments, prescriptions and childcare.

“We also need to prioritize investments that will keep our communities safe while helping our most vulnerable neighbors, including investments in mental and behavioral health services.”

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