

# OREGON SENATE DEMOCRATS

## FEBRUARY 2012 AGENDA CHECK LIST

### STAND UP FOR MIDDLE CLASS OREGONIANS:

- ✓ Helped Oregonians across the state who are struggling to stay in their homes (Foreclosure reform: SB 1552, Relief for senior homeowners: HB 4039)
- ✓ Prioritized funding for critical programs that serve seniors, kids, and our most vulnerable (Budget bills: SB 1579 & SB 5701)
- ✓ Helped Oregonians get back to work and get back on their feet (Oregon Fair Employment Act: SB 1548, Workforce Investment: HB 4141)
- ✓ Ensured that Oregon kids receive a high quality education at every stage, from our youngest learners to college students (Oregon Education Investment Act: SB 1581, Higher Education Coordinating Committee: HB 4058, Early Learning Council: 4165)
- ✓ Stood up for rural Oregonians hit hardest by the economic recession and declining federal funds (Memorial to Congress: SJM 201, County Timber Payment Bills: HBs 4175 - 4177)

### CHAMPION THE NEEDS OF OREGON'S SMALL BUSINESSES:

- ✓ Promoted an economic development strategy that increases capital for Oregon businesses, creates jobs, and fosters greater public-private partnerships (Oregon Investment Act: HB 4040)
- ✓ Ensured fairness in state contracting and increase work opportunities for local small businesses (Transparency in Contracting: SB 1518, Prompt Pay: HB 4034)
- ✓ Allowed a preference for goods made by Oregon's small businesses and other American companies (Buy American Transit, SB 1556)
- ✓ Simplified and streamlined regulatory processes and permitting while protecting environmental, consumer protection, public health, and public safety interests (Data Centers: SB 1532, Affordable Housing: SB 1535, State Lands: SB 1582, 911 Funds, SB 1559)

### STRENGTHEN GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY & CUT WASTE TO PROTECT CRITICAL SERVICES:

- ✓ Balanced the budget to make sure that government lives within its means (Budget Rebalance: SB 5701)
- ✓ Made sure that services for Oregonians who are fighting to stay afloat are delivered efficiently and fairly (Budget Savings: SB 1579 & SB 5701)
- ✓ Continued our work to transform the delivery of health care for Oregonians, improving health outcomes and saving tax dollars (Health Care Transformation: SB 1580)
- ✓ Made sure that government contracts are fair, open, and creating jobs here in Oregon (Transparency in Contracting: SB 1518)