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### **Senate Majority Leader Ginny Burdick releases statement on release of 'Existing Resources Framework'**

SALEM – Senate Majority Leader Ginny Burdick (D-Portland) released the following statement today in reaction to the Ways and Means Co-Chairs' release of the Existing Resources Framework:

“This starting point, as we begin to craft the state budget for the coming biennium, is a call to action for the 2017 session. Just to maintain existing services to Oregonians in education, public safety, health and other areas, it will take an additional \$1.8 billion. The fact that we face such a deficit during a booming economic period in our state demonstrates the need for comprehensive revenue reform. We continually look for ways to make government more efficient, maximizing the return we get for every dollar. We need to find a way to reform our revenue system to make sure it is fair to all Oregonians and that it is able to fund education and other vital state services.”

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