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Senate Republican Leader Statement on Coronavirus

SALEM, Ore. – The State of Oregon faces a pandemic with the spread of the highly-contagious respiratory illness called novel coronavirus or COVID-19.

Senate Republican Leader, Herman Baertschiger Jr. (R-Grants Pass) issued the following statement:

“Given the unknowns of the current situation, the national and state leaders are and should be taking measures that have never been taken before to prevent the spread of coronavirus. As more information becomes available, we should be re-evaluating and making changes as needed, and also doing what we can without hurting small businesses, workers, and families, while keeping public health the top priority. The Senate Republicans support a special session if needed to appropriate funds to help prevent the spread of the virus. It is crucial we work together to stay healthy and safe because this is about the lives of all Oregonians.”

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