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## <u>Statement from Senator Baertschiger on</u> <u>Special Session</u>

SALEM, Ore. - Senator Herman Baertschiger (R-Grants Pass) has released the following statement on Governor Kate Brown's proposed call for special session:

" The Governor's proposal to call a special session this May is no more that Portland Politics during an election year. If she really wanted to help small business in Oregon, she missed that opportunity in the last session. The Governor is the only one who had the power of the veto to stop SB 1528, that will cost small business in Oregon hundreds of millions dollars, if not billions of dollars. Governor Brown could have vetoed SB 1528 and let the Legislative Assembly come back in February 2019 to review small business tax issues.

Coming to Salem for one day to complete a complicated tax policy, fair to all business in Oregon, would be just short of impossible. It would be a waste of time and a waste of taxpayers' money.

I look forward to finding solutions to these questions and working

on fair and balanced policy solutions for all Oregon businesses."