

Oregon Senate Republicans

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<u>Senate Republican Leader Statement</u> on Weekend Rallies

SALEM, Ore. – Senate Republican Leader, Herman Baertschiger, Jr. (R-Grants Pass) released a statement following the peaceful rallies at the Capitol building over the weekend.

"The peaceful rallies on the steps this weekend were done by Oregonians who will be directly impacted by the gas and emissions tax or House Bill 2020. Democrats were reactionary to rumors and lacked the courage to face these Oregonians by closing the Capitol building on Saturday, when it was scheduled to be open, and limiting space in the gallery of the Senate Chamber, forcing them into committee rooms to watch the floor on Sunday. My caucus and I continue to stand firm and remain out of the state. We are working for our constituents and all Oregonians. Thank you to everyone who has expressed support."

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