

Serving Special Interests

LEADERSHIP IN THE WRONG DIRECTION

Speaker Minnis and House Majority Leader Scott led the way this session to pass nearly \$290 million in new tax loopholes and giveaways for special interests over the next four years. Throughout the session they engineered repeated attempts to undermine the stability of school funding, health care and public safety in service to special interest corporate lobbyists.

House Speaker Karen Minnis (R-Wood Village)



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House Majority Leader Wayne Scott (R-Canby)



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CHOOSING THE WRONG FRIENDS

These two Democratic legislators stood out for their nearly complete devotion to the corporate lobbyists. Representative Schaufler narrowly outpaced Boone by voting with the Republican majority on every single special interest tax loophole and in fact, succeeded in voting for MORE tax giveaways than Speaker Minnis herself – largely because he managed to be present for more tax giveaway votes than the Speaker could.



Rep. Mike Schaufler
(D-Happy Valley)
Voted to take nearly
\$290 million
from schools, health care
and public safety.



Rep. Debbie Boone
(D-Cannon Beach)
Voted to take more than
\$275 million
from schools, health care
and public safety.

The High Cost of the Wrong Priorities

What would \$287,000,000 buy?

Oregon legislators who lost sight of their constituents' priorities were willing to help pass nearly \$290 million in tax giveaways in the House. If the Senate had also put the priorities of special interest lobbyists asking for more tax loopholes at the front of the line, we would have lost funding for vital services that Oregonians value – such as public safety, education and services to seniors.

What could \$287 million buy?

- Double our state police force for 5 years
- Fund one whole year of school for the whole Salem-Keizer School District
- Provide 4 years of skilled care to more than 1,400 Oregon seniors

These data were compiled based on calculations for 2005-09 from the following sources: Oregon Dept. of Education, Legislative Fiscal Office (and LFO analysis of Governor's Budget), Legislative Revenue Office, Salem-Keizer Public Schools, Oregon State Police and Children First For Oregon.

Standing Up For Oregonians



Rep. Vicki Berger (R-Salem)

Stood up to her party leadership and voted to stop more than \$186 million in tax breaks, loopholes and giveaways.



Rep. Larry Galizio (D-Tigard), Rep. Betty Komp (D-Woodburn), Rep. Chuck Riley (D-Hillsboro)

These three freshman lawmakers were on the House Revenue Committee, which meant they were pressured to vote for every tax break and giveaway bill. **But they didn't buckle.** They stood up against the corporate lobbyists and for the priorities of Oregon's families.

Senate Revenue Committee

Special honors go to **Chair Ryan Deckert** (D-Beaverton), and **Sens. Floyd Prozanski** (D-Eugene) and **Rick Metsger** (D-Welches). They blocked the worst tax giveaways and loopholes that were passed by the House and protected hundreds of thousands of dollars for Oregon schools, health care and public safety.

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Oregon families

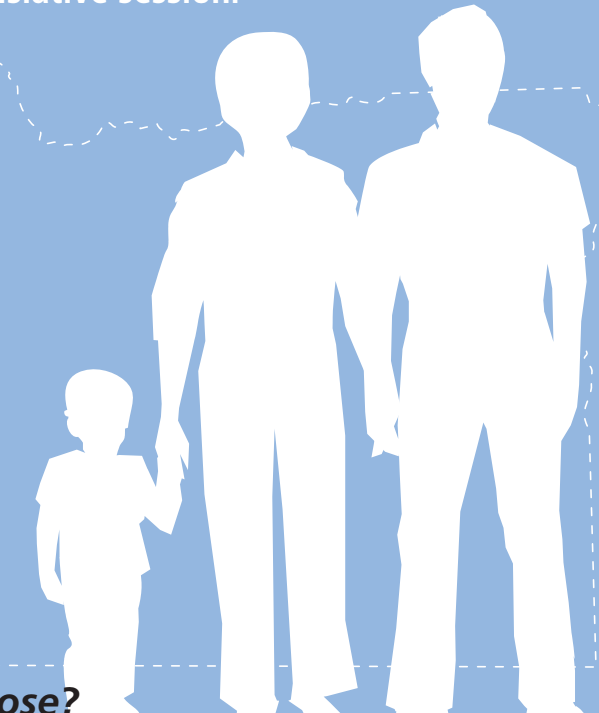
made their priorities clear for the 2005 legislative session.

Good Schools

Affordable Health Care

Safe Communities

Tax Equity



Whose priorities did lawmakers choose?

\$ 287,000,000

Corporate tax giveaways VS. Oregon priorities

There were more than \$287 million worth of revenue giveaways and corporate tax loopholes proposed by big business and special interests during the 2005 legislative session. *Salem lawmakers had a choice with every vote they cast.*

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A Report on the 2005 Oregon Legislature
From **Our Oregon**

Oregon House of Representatives: Tax Giveaways

dollar values in millions

STATE REPRESENTATIVES	DISTRICT	TOTAL	HB2191	HB2234	HB2332	HB2542-A	HB2629	HB3143	HB3453	HB3481	SB31	SB479A	SB1083
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ANDERSON, R	GRANTS PASS	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
BOQUIST, R	DALLAS	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
BROWN, R	NEWPORT	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
BRUUN, R	WEST LINN	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
BURLEY, R	BEND	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
BUTLER, R	ONTARIO	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
CAMERON, R	SALEM	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
FLORES, R	CLACKAMAS	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
HANNA, R	ROSEBURG	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
KRIEGER, R	GOLD BEACH	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
OLSON, R	ALBANY	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
SCHAUFER, D	PORTLAND	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
SCOTT, R	CANBY	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
SMITH, G., R	HEPPNER	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
SUMNER, R	MOLALLA	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
THATCHER, R	KEIZER	-287.65	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
JENSON, R	PENDLETON	-283.71	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0*	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
KITTS, R	HILLSBORO	-283.71	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
KROPF, R	SUBLIMITY	-283.71	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
KRUMMEL, R	WILSONVILLE	-283.71	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
LIM, R	GREHAM	-283.71	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
NELSON, R	MCMINNVILLE	-283.71	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
RICHARDSON, R	CENTRAL POINT	-283.71	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
WHISNANT, R	SUNRIVER	-283.71	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
SPEAKER MINNIS, R	WOOD VILLAGE	-280.02	-4.95	Leg. Business	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	Leg. Business	-137.8
MORGAN, R	MYRTLE CREEK	-279.47	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	Leg. Business	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
ESQUIVEL, R	MEDFORD	-278.96	-4.95	excused	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
GARRARD, R	KLAMATH FALLS	-278.96	-4.95	0	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
SMITH, P., R	CORBETT	-278.96	-4.95	0	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
BOONE, D	CANNON BEACH	-275.53	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	0	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
GILMAN, R	MEDFORD	-275.53	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	0	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
HUNT, D	MILWAUKIE	-247.09	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	0	-33.76	excused	-3.94	absent	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
DALLUM, R	THE DALLES	-201.35	-4.95	-4.75	excused	-18.99	excused	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	-137.8
DALTO, R	SALEM	-149.85	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
FARR, R	EUGENE	-149.85	-4.95	-4.75	-48.6	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
BERGER, R	SALEM	-101.25	-4.95	-4.75	0	-18.99	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
BEYER, D	SPRINGFIELD	-82.26	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
KOMP, D	WOODBURN	-82.26	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	-33.76	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
RILEY, D	HILLSBORO	-67.49	-4.95	-4.75	0	-18.99	0	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
ACKERMAN, D	EUGENE	-48.5	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
MACPHERSON, D	LAKE OSWEGO	-48.5	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
ROBLAN, D	COOS BAY	-48.5	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
HANSEN, D	PORTLAND	-44.56	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
BARKER, D	ALOHA	-40.21	-4.95	Leg. Business	0	-18.99	0	0	excused	-13.39	excused	-2.88	0
WITT, D	CLATSKANIE	-36.73	0	-4.75	0	0	excused	-8.18	0	-13.39	-10.41	0	0
AVAKIAN, D	BEAVERTON	-36.38	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	0	0	-13.39	-10.41	-2.88	0
GALIZIO, D	TIGARD	-35.11	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	0
HASS, D	BEAVERTON	-35.11	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	0
MERKLEY, D	PORTLAND	-35.11	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	0
DINGFELDER, D	PORTLAND	-33.5	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	0	0	-13.39	-10.41	0	0
BUCKLEY, D	ASHLAND	-31.17	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	0	0	-10.41	-2.88	0
GREENLICK, D	PORTLAND	-31.17	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	0	0	-10.41	-2.88	0
BARNHART, D	EUGENE	-28.29	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	0	0	-10.41	0	0
TOMEI, D	MILWAUKIE	-23.34	excused	-4.75	0	0	0	-8.18	0	0	-10.41	0	0
MARCH, D	PORTLAND	-22.99	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	0	0	0	-10.41	-2.88	0
ROSENBAUM, D	PORTLAND	-20.11	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	0	0	0	0	-10.41	0	0
WIRTH, D	CORVALLIS	-19.3	-4.95	0	0	0	excused	0	-3.94	0	-10.41	0	0
HOLVEY, D	EUGENE	-18.59	0	0	0	0	0	-8.18	0	0	-10.41	0	0
SHIELDS, D	PORTLAND	-15.36	-4.95	0	0	0	0	0	0	excused	-10.41	0	0
NOLAN, D	PORTLAND	-14.35	Leg. Business	0	0	0	0	0	-3.94	0	-10.41	0	0

* CHANGED VOTE FOR POSSIBLE RECONSIDERATION

Oregon Senate: Tax Giveaways

dollar values in millions

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ATKINSON, R	JACKSONVILLE	-51.85	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
GEORGE, R	NEWBERG	-51.85	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
STARR, B., R	HILLSBORO	-51.85	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
STARR, C., R	HILLSBORO	-51.85	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
MORSE, R	CORVALLIS	-47.91	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	0	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
NELSON, R	PENDLETON	-47.91	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	0	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
WHITSETT, R	KLAMATH FALLS	-47.91	-4.95	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	0	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
BEYER, R	MOLALLA	-46.90	0.00	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
WESTLUND, R	TUMALO	-46.90	excused	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
WINTERS, R	SALEM	-46.90	excused	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	-3.94	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
JOHNSON, D	SCAPOOSE	-45.87	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	0	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
VERGER, D	COOS BAY	-45.87	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	0	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
KRUSE, R	ROSEBURG	-42.96	0.00	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	0	-10.14	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
BATES, D	ASHLAND	-39.67	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
BROWN, D	PORTLAND	-39.67	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
CARTER, D	PORTLAND	-39.67	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
METSGER, D	WELCHES	-39.67	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
MONNES ANDERSON, D	GRESHAM	-39.67	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
PRES. COURTNEY, D	SALEM	-39.67	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
PROZANSKI, D	EUGENE	-39.67	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
GORDLY, D	PORTLAND	-35.73	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	0	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
DEVLIN, D	TUALATIN	-34.92	-4.95	excused	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
DECKERT, D	BEAVERTON	-34.72	excused	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
RINGO, D	BEAVERTON	-33.07	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	0	
SHIELDS, D	PORTLAND	-33.07	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	0	
FERRIOLI, R	JOHN DAY	-32.55	0.00	-4.75	0	0	-8.18	0	-10.14	0	-2.88	-6.6	
MORRISSETTE, D	SPRINGFIELD	-29.13	-4.95	-4.75	2.04	0	-8.18	0	0	-10.41	-2.88	0	
WALKER, D	EUGENE	-23.37	Leg. Business	0	2.04	0	0	-3.94	0	-10.41	-2.88	0	
SCHRADER, D	CANBY	-22.80	-4.95	0	2.04	0	-8.18	0	0	-10.41	-2.88	-6.6	
BURDICK, D	PORTLAND	-21.50	-4.95	Leg. Business	2.04	0	-8.18	0	0	-10.41	excused	excused	

Dollar amounts are from the Revenue Impact Statements for each bill.



The story of the 2005 Legislature is one of priorities.

Every vote our lawmakers took reflected how their priorities matched those of Oregon families. This Legislative Report analyzes those votes relating to tax giveaways and loopholes. Every dollar that goes towards a loophole is a dollar taken away from our schools, from our health care, from our public safety and from our seniors.

During this session there were nearly \$290 million worth of loopholes and giveaways on the table