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Statement of House Majority Leader Mary Nolan:

“This nation has been battered by the failed economic policies of the Bush Administration and Oregon is now feeling that pain.

“The cuts requested by the Governor will affect every Oregonian and every Oregon business. But this downturn also provides us with an opportunity to look anew at how we do things in Oregon and to make sure that Oregonians are receiving real value from every dollar we spend on public service.

“Oregon House Democrats are committed to protecting our schools, from pre-kindergarten through high school and college. Especially when the global economy is in turmoil our children must be prepared to be self-sufficient and Oregon’s displaced workers must have opportunities to retrain for new jobs.

“We also recognize that there are working families, elderly and the disabled that are struggling to make it. We are doing everything we can to ease that pain by getting Oregonians back to work, protecting our communities and providing the biggest benefits for every single tax dollar we invest in services.

“These are difficult times, but working together we can come through this recession stronger than ever before.

“Now is not the time to panic. Now is the time to work ourselves out of this mess, neighbor to neighbor, business to business. Oregon House Democrats are not afraid of this hard work... and we know Oregonians will work with us to rebuild our economy.”