

Dear Chair Nathanson, Vice Chair Reschke, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Katie Miller. I have served Oregon taxpayers in the Eugene/Springfield area since 2009 and became an Enrolled Agent in 2012. I respectfully urge your support for SB 1510-A (SB 1510 as amended by the Senate).

My practice serves small businesses and working middle-class families. Oregon's current requirements make it difficult to hire, train, and grow our team. These duplicative rules strain our industry and delay timely, competent assistance for Oregonians who need tax help.

Enrolled Agents are federally licensed under IRS Circular 230 and are subject to rigorous testing, background checks, continuing education, and professional discipline. Oregon is the only state that requires federally licensed EAs to pass an additional state exam and limits our ability to supervise trained staff. These added requirements do not improve consumer protection but do reduce access to qualified professionals.

SB 1510A allows EAs to rely on their federal credential, maintains oversight through registration with the Oregon Board of Tax Practitioners, protects consumers, and has no fiscal impact on the state. It removes unnecessary duplication while preserving accountability.

SB 1510A is a practical solution that improves access to services while maintaining strong consumer protections. I respectfully ask for your support.

Thank you for your time and service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Katie Miller', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Katie Miller
Enrolled Agent