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To: LRO

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The following is my testimony against HB 2051 for 3/7/17 hearing.

Dear Chairman Barnhart and Members:

I am opposed to changing the formula for the Kicker refunds. The Kicker was the vision of Senator Brady Adams, the Legislature and the voters of Oregon. Our Constitution was changed to refund excess tax payments when revenues were later determined to be sufficient to keep taxes down. The individual taxpayers were refunded according to the scale of their payments. To change this formula to a set dollar amount of refund no matter what an individual paid in taxes is grossly inequitable. I reside in Josephine County where Brady Adams lived. I am particularly sensitive to proposed bad alterations to the Kicker and hope you all will be sensitive too, and vote No on HB 2051.

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