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Let's be really clear on this matter of LC19: This is another expansion of governmental control and contraction of the government's accountability to its citizens. This is abject malfeasance on the part of the legislature in which the governor is complicit. The Oregon Senate needs to be very careful in their individual considerations of this scheme. All of you have an opportunity to consider your first responsibility and that is to the people. You will also be held to account for your decisions.

This act expands the government by creating new bureaucracies within the Department of Environmental Quality:

Oregon Greenhouse Gas Reduction Board

Administrator of the Office of Greenhouse Gas Regulation

Office of Greenhouse Gas Regulation

These are new regulatory bureaucracies that are not in any way responsible to the citizens. They simply decree and the cost of living increases land on the taxpayers.

This is a another incident of fraudulent application of the emergency clause without identifying and detailing an emergency. It is simply to push this past the voters without allowing them to approve or disapprove it in referendum.

Not true? Explain this to the voters who have to fund this legislative atrocity: "2020 Act may not be interpreted to limit the authority of any state agency to adopt and implement measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions." These agencies don't need the consent of the voters to increase fees and taxes. The voters just get to pay for this fraud.

This is not about the environment. Consider the establishment of the proposed bureaucracies: "Administrator of the Office of Greenhouse Gas Regulation" and "Office of Greenhouse Gas Regulation." This is simply bureaucratic regulation of "greenhouse gasses" to generate additional revenues without the consent of the voters. Exactly what is the function of the "Oregon Greenhouse Gas Reduction Board" vis a vis the other offices established in this sham?

What are the tools of "regulating" the greenhouse gasses? Would that be increased taxes and fees?

It seems logical that that tool of regulation, ie increasing taxes and fees, is determined and administered by the office that controls their use by their subordinate bureaucracy. That control is specifically increasing taxes and fees on the public without heir consent. This is, unequivocally, legislative and gubernatorial malfeasance.

The bureaucracies, not needing voter approval, simply increases the fees and taxes and the taxpayer

foots the bill.

Yes, it is simply legislative malfeasance in which the governor is complicit and we all know it. Either drop this fraud now or put it forward <u>in regular session of the legislature</u> without the emergency clause so the voters can address it in referendum.

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