Governor Brown has extended the emergency proclamation for another 60 days, the Oregon unemployment coffers have millions of excess funds, yet Oregon is NOT going to match the 25% suggested 100.00?

For a state that bends over backwards to help any and all causes no matter the cost, I find it a huge travesty that my state will not financially assist those of us that pay some of the highest income tax in the country.

Obviously Oregon needs financial assistance itself. What I propose is that the state of Oregon impose a sales tax for all goods and services to be levied against out-of-state citizens. Last July the state of Washington did away with their Oregon sales tax exemption.

A sales tax can be calculated and when an Oregon piece of identification is shown by a customer, the sales tax is recalculated to zero.

You'd be amazed at how many Washington license plates can be found near the large retail shopping center known as Cascade station here in Portland just to avoid having to pay sales tax in their own state. When I travel to other states, I have to pay their sales tax even though I do not pay sales tax in my own state.

It is time that the state of Oregon recoup some of its losses from the pandemic and impose a sales tax for those avoiding paying sales tax in their own state.

Governor Brown has issued a number of emergency proclamations during the last six months, I propose looking into the possibility of instituting a sales tax for non Oregonians to help get this state back on its feet again.

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