July 07, 2022 @ 06:16pm We can't afford a massive health-care tax.

Dear jtfuhc.exhibits@oregonlegislature.gov,

The universal health care proposal under consideration would place a crippling burden on Oregonian families and employers struggling to recover from the COVID pandemic and hard hit by inflation. Oregonians simply cannot afford to pay the \$21 billion in payroll and personal income taxes needed to create a single-payer system, especially when most people in Oregon already have access to health care.

Please do not move forward with this ill-timed and ill-conceived idea.

I urge you to do the right thing and pause this effort.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Irene Smith 4548 SE 96TH AVE, Portland, OR 97266 cookie457@centurylink.net 503-761-5155