

March 30, 2021

No on HB 3328 – Income Tax Increase

To:Chairwoman Nathanson, members of the House Committee on RevenueFrom:Shawn Cleave, Spokesperson for the Taxpayer Association of Oregon

The Taxpayer Association of Oregon respectfully submits this memo in opposition to HB 3328; increasing income tax on Oregonians; dedicating revenue to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW, and other wildlife management agencies).

• In 2019, the Oregon Legislature passed over 3.1 billion in new annual taxes, with over 500 fee increases. We don't need a new income tax increase.

• Oregon is now ranked 5th largest in spending state per-capita in the nation by the National Association of State Budget Officers. We don't need a new income tax increase.

We appreciate the effort that the proponents of the legislation have provided. And we recognize the funding limitations for the agencies licensed based programs due to declining participation (which may be the result of escalating license fee increases). However, HB 3328 is not the solution.

Please vote "No" on HB 3328