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As usual, Oregon government is taking away from those that work hard and pay their taxes to provide for those that don't want to work! Now my hard-earned dollars will benefit me and my family less by taxing me more! Unacceptable! You say the government intends to finance this project by introducing a 3% "luxury" sales tax on things like vehicles, electronics, clothing, jewelry, handbags, guns, and more. Ridiculous! Furthermore HB 4079 does not define the parameters around what price points are considered "luxury". Typical for this liberal government to say "you'll have to pass the bill to see what's in it" approach. And we hardworking people have to pay the consequences.

Why I appose this bill and so should you:

- Oregon voters have consistently voted against a sales tax. In order to pass any tax through legislature they are required to do so by a 3/5th majority (60%). However to expand it, after it has been established merely requires a majority. This is the back door by which they are attempting to force a sales tax on Oregonians.
- Additional assistance to those individuals who are not working will only exacerbate the current workforce shortage in Oregon. There are help wanted jobs everywhere!
- Currently Oregon is the 4th most lucrative state government with the 4th largest spending budget, spending more per capita than 46 other states.
- Offering monthly \$750 debit cards will continue to attract people from out of state who move here for those benefits. We've got enough people here that already don't contribute to our sate, just look around at our streets and parks filled with mentally disabled, drug addicts! This government made the laws easier for them to come here! ENOUGH!
- This will create a system that allows the government to tax the same money multiple times. First when the individual earns it (income tax), then when they spend it (sales tax), and then have the ability to tax the \$750 a month again as income for those receiving free debit card benefits (income tax).

Stop making the people who have jobs and work hard pay for those that don't want work. Their is so much assistance out there for them already!