Throwing Money at Problems without long-term solutions and calling something groovy is OLD NEWS; BAIL OUT PERPETUATES THE DEATH SPIRAL of POOR LEARNED BEHAVIOR no matter how you Gift Wrap the handout; even as yet another attempt at strapping the strain of additional tax on those Oregonians already struggling because of POOR GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP ill-fated business decisions.... SALES TAX HB 4079 –

On Tuesday, February 8th at 1:00pm a public hearing will be held by the House Committee on Human Services on **a new Sales Tax** in Oregon. <u>HB 4079</u>, sponsored by State Rep. Brad Witt (D), will create Oregon's first ever sales tax. The purpose of the sales tax is to fund \$750 monthly debit cards to the homeless and people under the poverty level. This tax <u>will not go to making our communities safer, our elections more secure or improving our education system.</u> It also comes at a time when the state has record revenues.

Proponents of HB 4079's say the tax is a "luxury" sales tax because at first it only applies to particular products over a certain price. But once passed into law it is very plausible for the legislature to easily lower the price caps and add more goods and services that fall under the new sales tax with a simple majority vote. Bait and Switch.

OREGONIANS are already strapped by the highest income tax rates in the UNITED STATES unconstitutionally, and by the Federal tax also unconstitutionally, and have been railroaded by medical tyranny over these last 2 years which lay fresh on everyone's mind.

My answer to this deviant approach is to have considered a cease and assist of the entire Oregon State INCOME TAX to those who are contributing to society, put into place WELFARE REFORM to offer actual skills-based training and home buying assistance to those who are healthy and to those who aren't get them into treatment programs that do not end until permanent housing is established.... Get the mentally and physically ill off the treadmill. It's appalling what's happened to downtown Salem in just the last 5 years and this says nothing of the shear grotesqueness of Portland in same amount of time only for government to capitalize on the population for federal dollars when it suits them and to have local policing whisk them away when it meets the needs to hold a public event. The backs of the rest or Oregonians is not where the burden should be placed but the politicians to the do the right thing in mandating serious WELFARE CHANGE that has staying power, and reform with staying power and matrix to measure impact of said CHANGE. Instead, we throw good money after bad and say we've done something – BOGUS!

The following "Antifa member" comments on how clean the drugs are and how Government officials are so "CHILL". So, what makes you feel this HB 4079 would be administered well? Video hoax or not, it's NOT at all far from being totally the truth! For these truth's in perceptions that I and my family DO NOT SUPPORT this HB4079 as it is currently written.

Man Calls Into Portland City Council Meeting With Most Epic Troll Calling Out Mayor Ted Wheeler (bitchute.com)

Respectfully,

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