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Seems odd that Legislatures across the United States always seems to think that tobacco is the only drug (nicotine/tar) that causes health issues. Alcohol is taxed but not because it is deemed a health risk but more for the idea that it falls into the category of food and entertainment spirits.

Alcohol is methanol that has the ability to change and retard every cell functioning properly and deteriorates every organ in the human body. Has Oregon set up a trust fund that pays the medical expenses of the persons that died due to the consumption of alcohol, that is also a drug. Nope, rarely the death certificate never indicates that a person died due to the consumption of alcohol but of the disease the consumption of alcohol exasperated and increased death cause.

Federal and State Legislators see tobacco is an easy target due health concerns of others in the near vicinity of the smoker, whereas alcohol only damages the person consuming alcohol. Does the OR-OLCC cannabis industry pay into product injury funds of government as marijuana contains tar just as tobacco does.
NIH Alcohol's Effects on the Body <https://www.niaaa.nih.gov/alcohols-effects-health/alcohols-effects-body>