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SB 704 has a pre-determined outcome to pursue a state single-payor health plan based on assumptions of magical administrative savings that will drive providers from the state and everyone else with enormous tax increases to support this fantasy. The idea that the state will be successful at a complex entitlement program when they can't manage unemployment, over taxation, forest fires, education or the economy is irresponsible to dig in deeper in a time of inflation.

Most people in Oregon have healthcare through their employer, and low income are covered through the Oregon Health Plan Medicare coverage, so why push for more when inflation will hit a high this year.

Through the years, the legislature has mandated coverages, which has driven the cost of insurance to be unaffordable to many. So they stepped in to solve the problem they made with a socialist universal coverage plan. This has been a slow feel-good cozy to cover the poor, then they added low-income, then they added the Oregon Health Plan option for small employers, now they want to take over the entire choice of coverage and force everyone to subject the care of their bodies to the government.

Universal Health Care has been tried in many countries and has failed. We don't need to fail to know it doesn't work.

America is founded on choice and free will. Universal health care takes away our fundamental right to chose who cares for our bodies.