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Evidently when Gov. Kotek opined she would be a "Governor for all Oregonians", that was not a promise but a veiled threat. And here we are, our heavy burden of taxes being used once again in capricious disregard for the voice of the Citizenry so further burdened by this body politics dissonant interpretation of "leadership", as expressed by the creation of such a brutally dishonest and flawed piece of unworkable "Legislation". This of course, given Salem's Lot's track record of wielding the club of political power over the heads of their perceived "enemies", (See;. "Citizens who disagree with us"), is just another attack on honest tax paying Citizens and their Civil Liberties. Having commented here many times thinking, "They must see the preponderance of opinion and the common sense in the words of the Electorate in opposition to their agenda", not once was this body swayed from such a lack of wisdom, and common, decent sense by the words of Oregon's Citizenry. This bill is unwise and expensive, unworkable in any practical sense, of no real benefit in fact to anyone, and a tragic waste of the Citizens tax dollars you lot throw with such capricious abandon to the four winds. "Vote No", of course, but what's the use, you as a body no longer serve The People, but only your self interests. Nor do you lead in any meaningful way. "The welfare of the people in particular has always been the alibi of tyrants, and it provides the further advantage of giving the servants of tyranny a good conscience" A. Camus