I OPPOSE [SB 918].

https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/SB918/Introduced

Staff Measure Summary:

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[-2 Amendment]:

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[SB 918-2] states, ""SECTION 2. (1) The Housing and Community Services Department shall establish a Oregon Housing Justice Program..."

[SB 918-2] states, "...SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the **Housing and Community Services Department**, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, **out of the General Fund**, the amount of:

- "(1) \$100,000 to provide grants under section 2 (1)(a) of this 2023 Act.
- "(2) \$14,000,000 to provide a grant under section 2 (1)(b) of this 2023 Act.
- "(3) \$10,500,000 to provide a grant under section 2 (1)(c) of this 2023 Act.
- "(4) \$1,500,000 to provide a grant under section 2 (1)(d) of this 2023 Act.
- "(5) \$9,500,000 to provide grants under section 2 (1)(e) of this 2023 Act...."

If my math is correct [SB 918-2] wants [\$35,600,000.00] out of the GENERAL FUND to play Santa Claus with the taxpayer's money.

Well, it is said we should keep Christmas all year long, right? Naught.

For an illustration of the "Institutionalized Welfare State" in Oregon, take a few moments to review what is below.

[SB 5511 (2023) Section 5]

 $\underline{https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/SB5511/Introduced}$

What is the total Housing and Community Services Department's debt?

The Debt Service alone is [\$155,800,792.00] taken out of this session's GENERAL FUND.

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Mr. Oregon Concurs and says, "The Oregon Housing Justice Program is an injustice to taxpayers."

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