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The creation of an additional "on-top" tax system would create an undue burden on Oregonians. We already pay state tax on income, gas and even the hidden sales tax on vehicles. The recent kicker is evidence that the state is collecting plenty of revenue. On top of that the burden of all the county and local taxes.

The voters spoke when they capped property tax increases with Measure 5. The attempt end-around that decision with this new piece of legislation is sneaky and against the will of the people.

Creating a scenario where more senior citizens will lose their paid off homes due to the burden of taxation is cruel and unusual.

Lastly, if this tax will be levied on personal property and financial instruments as well then this is a wealth tax, not a property tax. Be honest about the intent.