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Measure: HJR201

I oppose HJR 201. As a home owner I pay enough taxes. I work so I pay both federal and state income taxes. I own a home, so I already pay property taxes that are too high. Why is it that the people who are already productive members of our society, who pay their taxes, have to bear the weight of this Bill? I am sure you think that this is the best way to raise money to support your agenda, but in the end, those of us that will have to pay this tax will suffer. With inflation and the cost of living that keeps going up, more people will end up losing their homes because they just can't afford it. There is already a homeless crisis in the state of Oregon. If this Bill passes, I guarantee there will be more homelessness because this bill will not only affect homeowners, it will affect renters as well. Landlords will simply pass the increase in property taxes down to their renters who already pay rent that they can't afford.

Please do NOT let this Bill go through. Oregonians can't take any more increases to the taxes they already pay!