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Please do not let this bill leave the committee. We can't afford it! Oregonians already pay higher property taxes than most states.

This bill removes current local control over property taxes from Counties/Cities by allowing new statewide property tax scheme without limits. The current tax structure allows plenty of funding for the state while also allowing property owners local control of how portions of their tax dollars are being spent. Increased fiscal responsibility is what we need not more money for more irresponsible government spending.

- This bill would allow Portland politicians to raise property taxes on rural Oregonians for their reckless spending. The entire state should not have to foot the bill for Portland's defund the police and soft on crime policies. They can pay for their own public safety.
- This removes current Constitutional limits on property tax rates (Measure 5) and assessment rates (Measure 50) with sneaky exceptions. Just like all of the "fees" Kate Brown put into place to circumvent taxpayer votes.
- Most importantly, this bill risks throwing seniors, the disabled and other limited income Oregonians out of their homes as property taxes become limitless. Landlords will have no choice but to pass this tax hike on to tenants especially after the way they have been decimated by the careless policies during COVID.

Stop this bill now before you waste more taxpayer money trying to get it passed the people of Oregon.