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This proposal for a statewide property tax is a terrible idea. The proposal will raise property taxes for those of us outside of the greater Portland area without any limits to the tax increases. These increases will in turn increase rent and local costs for smaller communities. Higher rent and services results in increased homelessness. The revenue from a statewide property tax will be sent to the Portland area, as with most funding, and leave the rest of the state struggling to deal with addiction, homelessness, crime and more inflation with less funding than we have now. On a personal note, we are a retired couple who have lived, worked, and paid our taxes in Oregon our entire lives. Forcing increased property taxes on the elderly is a slap in the face for everything we have worked for. We should not have to pay for the mismanagement of the state. Oregon needs to live within its means, like most of her rural residents do.

Thank you