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Please kill this bill now. Oregonians, and particularly Portlanders, already pay higher taxes than most states, getting so little in return, unless you count a dying downtown Portland, out of control property crime, violent assaults & homicides on a daily basis, crumbling streets, homeless and addiction problems every where you turn. This bill would remove current local control over property taxes from Counties/Cities by allowing new statewide property tax scheme without limits, allowing Portland politicians to raise property taxes on rural Oregonians for their reckless spending..and yes the spending is totally reckless and out of control.....you already take too much, set some prioritizes and quit trying to claw away every last dollar from the people you purport to represent! This is just bad legislation, as it also removes current Constitutional limits on property tax rates (Measure 5) and assessment rates (Measure 50) with sneaky exceptions. Seniors and disabled folks on fixed incomes or low incomes are at risk of being forced out of our homes as property taxes become limitless. Are you trying to increase the homeless problem in this state even more than current unacceptable situation? There is a reason California passed Prop 13 back in the day, it was to stop the endless increases in property taxes that drive people out of their homes. HJR 201 would be a referral to voters, because that is the only way politicians can remove/tinker with current Constitutional property tax limits that protect home owners. Property taxes should be eliminated altogether because with property taxes we never really own our homes.