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HJR 201

To those it may concern,

Vote no on HJR 201,

To be frank it is appalling that ANOTHER property tax and tax in general is being considered for Oregon. It is always take and take and take. Oregonians get one of the largest kickers in history because of a state surplus of tax revenue which is hard to believe of 5 billion dollar overestimate. I can tell you I pay more than my fair share on everything and all of my bills and expenses have gone up and no one has offered me any handouts to make up for that. My wages have not kept pace with inflation yet my electric, water, fuel and food has all skyrocketed and now this bill proposes I pay more.....No Thank You. This is not helping the people or the public good. We have seen countless examples of overpayment or fund mismanagement. Unemployment computers during COVID, PERS issues, New Oregon Paid Leave where people cannot get their money or forms processed yet still have to pay into it, homeless taxes and taxes and fees on just about everything. Oregon has one of the highest tax rates in the nation except for large businesses like Intel or Nike that gets the tax breaks they want. There is a reason people are leaving places like Multnomah county in droves and Oregon lost population for two years running. If you rent the tax is still pushed to you in rental hikes. Oregon needs a better and real solution than just adding to property taxes. Look through the testimony submitted by the people YOU represent and listen to them. I did not see one in favor piece of testimony sifting through dozens of submittals

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