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Oregon state government needs to do a better job of managing the various bureaucracies in terms of eliminating waste and set up a performance evaluation system for every employee in every department from the top down to make them responsible for their performance. I understand the obstacle of union protection for deficient employees but, as a taxpayer that funds their departments I need to be assured that nobody escapes personal responsibility for their failures, With the recent explosion in property values we have and will continue to see an increase in property taxes. The citizens are always fed the line that the government needs more money and the average citizen lacks the critical thinking ability to demand more valid explanation and justification for the need. As a result the citizens cave in out of a perceived fear of a lack of services just keep paying more and in most cases getting less. It is long past time to change the game. As a 46 year resident of Oregon I could write a book about personal observations of government waste with documented evidence and I am not willing to stand by and not make an effort to voice my opinion any more. We elect our representatives to protect our interests, this bill needs to be DOA and the sponsors need to be put on notice that their performance is being scored.