Submitter: Ann White

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure: HJR201

Dear Members of the Rules Committee,

RE: House Rules Committee
HJR 201 (Statewide property tax)
Tuesday, Feb 13th, 1:00PM

Hearing Room D, State Capitol, Salem

I oppose this bill and believe that this bill is unconscionable. Your committee is trying to slip it in without time to respond to your short schedule. We do not need more property tax- we are already the most taxed State in the Union. We, the people, want less government regulation, and more ability to hold you accountable for the actions you are taking to undermine our State.

- We can't afford it! Oregonians already pay higher taxes than most states.
- Removes current local control over property taxes from Counties/Cities by allowing new statewide property tax scheme without limits.
- This would allow Portland politicians to raise property taxes on rural Oregonians for their reckless spending.
- Removes current Constitutional limits on property tax rates (Measure 5) and assessment rates (Measure 50) with sneaky exceptions.
- Risk throwing seniors, the disabled and other limited income Oregonians out of their homes as property taxes become limitless.
- 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.

Please let this bill die in Committee!

Sincerely, Ann O. White PCP, Washington County 567 SW Regency Place Portland, OR 97225