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Greetings Oregon Legislators,

This testimony is in response to your newly proposed State wide property tax HJR. When I saw this, my heart sank...we the citizens of Oregon are exhausted by the continued downward pressure that your systematic regular new tax proposals and tax collections are doing to people fiscally, emotionally and psychologically. Frankly people haven't even recovered from the losses due to the pandemic policies, not to mention the hyper-inflation that we are experiencing. If you continue with adding financial insult to injury and disavow the County measures that are already in place to keep property taxes under control, you will end up driving more and more people out of the State. You are hurting the most vulnerable among us as well as overburdening those who employee the work force. Just like every household budget has limits and constraints, the government must do the same. It's time to cut your budget and let the citizens recover. There are people that are working 2 and 3 jobs just to keep up with your insatiable quest for more of their money via taxes...These are families, individuals and young people who are losing hope on ever saving money for the future, as well as keeping food on the table. "I am calling for a compassionate 1 year TAX MORITORIUM in Oregon!" Let people thrive...fix your budgets and cut spending where you can. Let's return to a sensible Oregon, who genuinely cares about the well-being of it's residents, not the cruelty that is unfolding in Oregon. There have been numerous new taxes already passed, time for a halt on new ones. Respect the individual Counties to manage their own property taxes without over stepping measures already in place, as well as the fact that Oregon Counties already manage their own public safety budgets.

Respectfully,

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