

HJR 201 2024

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It sickens me and it is heartbreaking to see what has happened to Oregon under what is the worst leadership I have seen in my lifetime, born and raised in Oregon. Dem 1-party rule is a wrecking ball. HJR 201 2024 is just another example of just how horrifying you are.

Good leadership shows. Look at Portland. It's dirty, trash everywhere, filled with graffiti on buildings, street meridians, bridges, everywhere. We see junkies on the street lighting up crack pipes, throwing up, going to the bathroom, buying and selling drugs on the sidewalks. We see thousands of tents, still, in parks, on sidewalks, any vacant, filled with junkies doing drugs. And taxes, fees keep going up in Oregon. Because the only growth industry in Oregon is Big Government.

Like many people, I don't even think about going downtown anymore and haven't for years. We have been forced to shovel billions into downtown Portland. Now it's trashed. You driven out the downtown businesses and you don't care. The massive decline in quality of life is the direct result of lousy, derelict, incompetent leadership. You ignore this fact. But we live with it every day. Moral decay brought on by failed leadership, letting criminals rule the streets, hiring incompetents in government that are failing us everywhere.

Now you demand MORE. You can't ever live within a budget. Your response is always the same. You think it's your right to bankrupt us. You tell us it's for our own good to bankrupt us.

A statewide Sales Tax is the last thing we need. We already are taxed to the hilt. You know that. You don't care. It is reprehensible how much our taxes have gone up at the same time our quality of life is being smashed.

Leadership matters and we don't have it in Oregon. Dem 1-party rule has brought the downfall of Oregon. Soros bought DA in Multnomah County, Mike Schmidt, refused to prosecute thousands of criminals, also part of your plan and we see the destruction. Decriminalizing heroin, fentanyl, meth, and you actually think that will make things better? How ignorant are you people?

Good leadership should give us clean streets, no graffiti, no junkies shooting up, low crime. Yet our leaders can't do any of it. Now you demand hundreds of millions more... to fail. I am filled with disgust. You people who came up with this latest money grab should be kicked to the curb. You are not fit to lead anyone or anything. You don't manage money. You just keep raising taxes, taxing us from our homes and businesses, blow it all, and then demand more. You spit on small business and grow the welfare rolls to stratospheric heights. You are failures, failing on multiple fronts. You are guilty of gross mismanagement. You are debt hogs. You should not ever be in charge of the money. You can't be trusted. You have zero managerial experience to use the money wisely and no desire to live within a budget. You have made everything worse at the same time you are bankrupting us.

Every one of you gluttons gorging at the trough would bankrupt any business within a year. You should never be in charge of managing financial matters. You don't know how to manage money.

You not only don't deserve another dime you should downsize the massive government payrolls and fire all the people who get zero results for the millions and billions you take from hardworking Oregonians. You are derelict. Never pretend that you represent Oregonians. You don't. You treat Oregon taxpayers with contempt.

You are gorging at the trough at the same time you make everything worse. Look around. Every time you meet in session, every ballot, is all about taking more of our money. Do you think we don't need our own money to pay our own bills? All you do is steal more money from those who earn it and give it to those who have come to Oregon to live off taxpayers. This will be no different. We're sick of it and sick of you treating Oregonians like an ATM. We are already taxed higher than every other state on many metrics, income tax, property taxes, a massive additional layer of government that is Metro, not found in any other city in the U.S.

The only growth industry in Oregon is Big Government and you all are hogs at the trough.

To use a word all of you spiel constantly, none of this horrendous spending is 'sustainable.' The growing welfare rolls you demand to be paid by hard working Oregonians to pay for the swarms of illegals, and the so-called homeless that you invite from other states to live on welfare, is way over the top. We can't afford it. And you know it. And you don't care. You treat us with contempt.

What we need is all new people leading and managing this state.