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As a licensed professional counselor, I work with many families who are struggling financially to pay their bills and provide for their children. Many use credit cards just to put food on the table as their income isn't quite enough to pay for their necessities. Most people are just one paycheck away from a crisis. Adding more taxes will put many in the situation of eviction or having their utilities shut off. Small businesses will continue to close and more people will leave the state. Seniors on fixed incomes will continue to be adding to the rising homeless population. Government waste and fraud is rampant and needs to be held accountable for their incompetence and tax payers should not be footing the bill for the irresponsibility of the Democrat majority politicians and bureaucrats that have run our state into the ground with bad policy decisions, rules, laws and arrogance. Losing potential federal funds due to going against federal law is irresponsible and even criminal. Increasing taxes and fees will only make matters worse and not solve the real problems we have in Oregon. Our problem is that we have the worst leadership in the country right along with California, Washington and New York State. We need a new Governor who knows how to lead, solve the problems we have instead of creating them like the Governor we have now and since Democrat rule in this state. This state is collapsing and the citizens are suffering and taxing more will only speed up our demise. NO NEW TAXES!!!!!!!! Stop being irresponsible with our money, guit destroying our economy and state with your bad policies and quit lining your own pockets while Oregonians suffer. NO NEW TAXES!!!! Quit paying millions for expert advice and then not take it like with PERS. Why would taxpayers want to pay more when our state agencies are keeping people on hold for hours, not returning calls, benefits and respurces are not getting disbursed, children are being harmed, if our state was a actual business, it would have had to close down years ago, totally bankrupt. It's sad because it used to be a great place to raise a family, not anymore. This special session should not be happening and there should not be anymore fees, taxes or any increase for Oregonians having to bail out a failed Governor and Democrat rule that has caused our shortfall. I adamantly oppose the Governor and her plan to for more tax and fee increases. Do the right thing and tell her NO!!!!!