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As an Oregonian for over 50 years, I have seen the systematic destruction of our state since the Democrats took over management 38 years ago. I used to be proud to live here and call myself an Oregonian, I don't feel that way anymore. I find myself more and more of avoiding the topic and hiding in shame.

I have had several careers during my life all in Oregon. I have been a private business owner, a public official, a healthcare worker and an employee for a private company. This experience has given me insight on a lot of the rights and wrongs when it comes to our state government.

Oregon has a "just throw more money at it" attitude when it comes to government and it has to stop. They are making it impossible for families, individuals and elderly folks to live here. Businesses are running to get out of the state because it is too expensive to do business here. Sanctuary and DEI policies has further crippled us in a way that most of Oregons do not, nor would ever, support.

It seems to me that the will of Oregonians constantly fall on deaf ears in Salem. I for one am tired of it. When most Oregonians say NO NEW TAXES, that is exactly what we mean. It doesn't mean get more money from essential licensing and wherever else you can get it from. Maybe you should try to "Live within your means" and manage the money you already get better.

I support a complete change in the management of our state before it gets completely flushed down the drain. It might already be too late. No additional cost for Oregonians to live here would be a good start. You are killing these people and I see it everyday. Thank you for the opportunity to submit my testimony.