

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this issue. My name is Brett Rossback, and I live in Albany, Oregon. I was born here here in Albany, raised my children here in Albany, and have worked my entire career in Albany. It seems lately that those of us in the middle class in Oregon are expected to tighten our belt when it comes to our finances, but none of the public services that are there to serve us are not expected stay within a budget. Now with the latest bill proposed to be taxing us even more, my family and I are going to once again be hit even harder. From what I've seen and from what I've heard and what I've read about this tax proposal, there is little to no benefit for families such as mine. In our community, we see people every day looking to move out of state. Now, as we look around, it's not just families. It's entire companies that had their roots here in Oregon decidin moving out of state is bet for them. In my opinion, I think any tax increase at all is a serious mistake and is a slap in the face to those who love the state and have loved bringing up their families in these communities around the state. Again, thank you for the opportunities to testify.