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I am opposed to new legislation that would increase taxes for Oregonians. As the spouse of a disabled veteran, who fought to defend our country, we are on a limited fixed income and this would put us in an extremely difficult position. We must manage our finances and live within our budget. We cannot just raise more money. I feel our state government should do the same. Instead of raising taxes we need our elected officials to be fiscally responsible and live within "their" means.

I was born in Oregon and have lived here my whole 56 years but if the cost to live here continues to rise we will be forced to relocate to a location we can afford to comfortably live.

In closing I will reiterate that my family will be devastated by an increase in taxes. It would force us to seek assistance which would be a further drain on our states financial resources. Essentially canceling out any monies we would pay in from tax increases.