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To the people that are supposed to represent all Oregonians. I was born and raised here in Oregon, its already one of the most expensive places to live, im 43, a single mother who works 60 plus hours a week to try and survive and provide, unfortunately barely surviving and not living. I pay 378 a week out of my paycheck, you hear that A WEEK!, do the math. That's over 1500 a month and doesn't include my 400 a month for aweful "health" insurance. I can't afford a home because im already taxed beyond means. My kids and I have to live on family property. Groceries are out of control and can barely afford that. Utility costs, ext. I have health issues, can't afford to not work so im out here working through it even though it's literally starting to kill me. I don't qualify for food benefits because I "make to much" they say. But the saddest thing about it, I shouldn't need government assistance, if I wasn't already taxed beyond means I could afford groceries, rent or maybe even a mortgage. Always been a dream to provide a home thats ours to my kids. Im one of many thousands of Oregonians that are going through life just like this, and you want to raise more taxes. Its disgusting. I love oregon, its one of the most beautiful places in the USA, but you are taxing us into poverty, homelessness, despair, and forcing long time or life long residents out of their state. DO BETTER! Raising taxes one again is NOT THE ANSWER. You represent us.