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I am against ANY MORE increases in taxes; this includes a proposed gas tax, title fees and registration fees. The majority of Oregonians including myself are financially strapped and for you to attempt to pass ANOTHER gas tax increase when gas is already \$4+ per gallon is a slap in the face and a hole in our bank accounts. I'm guessing most people are not aware that the majority of this increase is also to fund TRIMET which services ONLY the Portland area. The audacity to even propose eliminating the legislature's ability to vote on such an increase is mind-numbing. STOP financially crippling the citizens of the state you are supposed to be serving. Taking away the ability to vote on important issues like this when you already mismanage the funds and taxes we pay is absolutely disgusting. All for the sake of taking power away from the people and giving it to yourself. If anyone is a power-hungry dictator it would be you. You are a sad excuse for our governor and I'm counting down the days until you are out of office. When that time comes (not soon enough) my only hope is that you are not replaced by another scam artist as yourself. This is not even a partisanship issue. It is based on the merits of your actions. You have been pushing too hard and are teetering dangerously close to people completing a recall. People of Oregon have had enough and are starting to push back.

We're done supporting Portland with our tax dollars.

Your attempt to remove the democratic process of voting on such tax hikes is 100% proof that: you are in the wrong and you know it. You are not above us; you are one of us.

BTW how's that "Babysitter For All" coming" along? Oh, I mean "Preschool For All" regardless of your income?