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I am writting regarding the special session that is supposed to be held August 29th, 2025.

I am one of many who are being laid off from a local Oregon transit company on August 29th due to funding issues. Some funding issues were brought on by our own state due to sanctuary policies that put illegals before every Oregon/American citizen. Those policies put our federal funds in a freeze since we can't.and won't follow federal rules. I have been with the transit company through the Covid pandemic and through the Alemada fires as an essential employee.

Though I am being laid off and don't know what the future holds for my family. I do not support any more taxes being placed on hard working Oregonians. We need to find other solutions and means to the funding woes we are facing. I truly believe we are not being responsible with the tax money that has already been collected. I have seen how Governor Kotek has wasted our tax dollars with her immigration policies that give more of our tax dollars to fight for illegals in our state then focus on the actual American citizens.

I have seen her approve millions to Stabbin Wagon that hands out drug kits by anti police activist in Medford Or. It has left our parks littered wth needles. I have seen her give millions to a theatre in Portland. These are jist 2 of the many projects she waste tax dollars on. She has allotted millions for illegals to fight for them.to stay in our state.

We must fix the budget and hold her accountable for the funding issues we now face. Get rid of woke and Dei funding grants and programs. As a commercial driver I personally have witnessed all the sidewalks in southern Oregon ripped up and replaced recently. The sidewalks were fine. We wasted millions doing this. I watched them put in bike lanes and dumb cones. Taking car lanes and parking spaces away in the process. Another huge waste of tax dollars. We have no desire to be a 15.minute city and no desire to give up our cars and trucks to ride a bike. We pay enough tax on our gas and our titles and registrations already. I also dont need to give up more in my paycheck either. I have a truck that is a diesal for my own personal use and it cost me five dollars a gallon or more. Making it about two hundred to fill up. Now Kotek wants to raise it higher with more gas tax.

Where is all the money off marjuana sales and lottery winnings. We are one of the

hiighest taxed states in the US and what do we have to show for it? Schools failing children hence why graduation requirements wemt away and many businesses fleeing our state taling away good jobs. The cost of living is too high here already. This is the hill we die on.

I encourage you to do the right thing for all Oregonians and stand with us and say No! No more.taxes!! We need representatives who not only listen to us but stand with us. We will continue to fight to save Oregon from the democrats destruction. Please help us do that.

Sincerely a proud Republican, Meloney Robles