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Taxing my ability to move about the state will present undue hardship with my employment - which is for the state. Like many Oregonians, I am stuck in the administrative strangle hold for every fraction of a penny the government can wrangle from my paycheck. I cannot afford an additional tax.

Furthermore, increasing our taxes in order to cover shortfalls caused by poor administration is dishonest and wrong. Why aren't we tracking down 1 billion dollars lost via mismanagement in ODOT. Leaders need to be held accountable for their budgets instead of constantly showing up at the tax payer's door as if it is our fault.

Don't even get me started on the fact that I live in a community that NEVER sees the tax revenue it needs to repair even major highways. Have you ever traveled the highway between Valley Falls, Oregon and Bend? Until you cross into Deschutes the road is a paved washboard. It has been for over 20 years. Clearly any tax revenue paid by the people in my county is not being spent on us. It is spent on frivolous infrastructure for cesspits like Portland.