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!! NO NEW TAXES!!

The cost of living and burden from the constant rise in taxes is killing the working families and small businesses of Oregon. You can't keep raising taxes every time a state organization gets a little tight on money. There's a budget set for a reason!! Live and operate within your budget!! No different than at home. Use your funds wisely and quit wasting taxpayer money!! I'm part of a family business that has operated in the state for well over 60 years and we can't take anymore. Between payroll taxes and income taxes and of course the CAT tax we're getting killed off slowly. There's no way I'd ever think about starting a business in this state ever again. There's no point. You can't make it. The taxes are killing us all.

Please think of alternatives to raising taxes. We can't keep this up. The taxpayers are getting steamrolled. I read articles and hear about people moving out of the state every day and it's not sounding like too bad of an idea. I love this state and have lived here my entire life (44). My parents and grandparents are life long Oregonians also. Everyone is talking about how the taxes are getting out of hand.

So please, for all of us who are just trying to raise our kids and make the best for them, reconsider adding more burden to the working families. Stop the bleeding before we're all on the streets.

Brad Bennett
Working family trying to make it