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We are a married couple 70 years in age on fixed income. We were both blue collar workers so we have a small retirement income. The high economy has already stretched our budget to the edge and it's not just the state wanting more from our pockets it's county it's city it's schools it's fire it's police and the list keeps going on and on and that's just taxes. There used to be kinda a trade off we used to have low or no fees but now we have fees on everything from blow up water toys to car licensing fees and everything in between if the state saw we were having fun they put a fee on it oh ya now I'm hearing about a packaging tax and something about a mileage tax and what about all the programs we the people never voted on you all know what I'm talking about. When does it stop if you add up all the taxes and fees including the ones on our utility bills and phones I'm pretty sure the state and federal government gets more of my income then I do. If we have live within our budget so should Oregons government. The government is supposed to work for the people not pick there pocket book dry.