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Dear Committee Members,

As a 3rd generation Oregonian, I am vehemently opposed to any and all of these taxes being pushed by Governor Kotek. I implore you to not even entertain conversation about these but to do the will of the people and simply say no and walk it to the round file and be done. We have spoken on these taxes once already this year and in years past. Oregon families and businesses cannot afford one more cent in taxes. Our businesses are leaving the state faster than blackberry vines grow here. Our families and seniors cannot even afford food or medicine in this state. I have a relative on disability receiving \$1236 per month to live. These taxes will make it even more difficult to buy food and needed medicines. Before you say there are services, said relative is on every service available and you know how much food stamps said relative is receiving.. \$69 a month what can you buy for that it was cut back in January from a whopping \$119 a month. So that raise in SSDI of \$30per month, that got taken by the increase in rent and the decrease in food assistance. Adding more taxes will not help this state or its residents. IT WILL HURT US ALL. Please NO MORE TAXES AND NOT ONE PENNY IN INCREASES. We do not need the cost of food, medicine, basic items such as Toilet paper, laundry soap, socks and underwear, coin op laundry facilities, school lunches, writing paper, printer ink, oil changes, and more to increase because of bad management. Wages taxes should not be increased it will hurt us all. We do not want Vehicle registration fees increased or the cost of titles to increase they are already too high. We are being taxed out of our homes, businesses, and state. The leaders of this state need to learn how to better manage budgets and what priority means. NO NEW TAXES, NO NEW INCREASES, NO NEW FEE'S.