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I STRONGLY OPPOSE HB 2010

The Democrat Caucus announcing their priorities included: Keeping more money in Oregonians' pockets, access to healthcare for ALL Oregonians, and Safeguarding our freedoms and holding government accountable.

This bill does none of what leadership has promised. Where is your integrity?

Part of this health care tax is structured to access extra Federal Medicaid funds in a very complex, contrived process. This is unfair to other states that have not created such tax structures designed to access Federal tax funds. How does this keep government accountable?

This current, half-billion dollar tax on your own health insurance premiums and upon hospitals themselves is why healthcare is so expensive. How does this keep more money in our pockets?

This is why we have nurses strikes because hospitals cannot afford to hire more staff with taxes so high. This is why medical centers are closing in Oregon — they face higher taxes and shrinking customers. How does it make healthcare more accessible?