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I would support this bill if it were amended to abolish all property taxes (personal and real) for everyone forever. And income tax, too. Abolish those and I'd consider supporting a small excise tax.

I like what some others have said:

"Oregonians and their homes and property are not an ATM."

"Automatic tax hikes are taxation without representation."

"When you have to pay taxes on what you already own, you don't really own it - you're renting it from the government."

How is this tax going to help people obtain and maintain home ownership and bring people to Oregon and help Oregonians stay in Oregon? Answer, it's not, it's going to do the opposite. Home ownership is decreasing in Oregon while rentals and homeless camps are increasing. People are fleeing Oregonistan just like they are fleeing Californistan and Washingtonistan to states that protect the liberty of their citizens and their rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

SB712 is a big, hearty NO!