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Please vote no on this measure. Yes if we don't do something, we will have to fire employees of the state. Nevermind our state has bled 25,000 jobs this year in the private sector, no worries, what the governor thinks we need is to maintain the state employee roll at any cost and that's an emergency? Absolutely absurd. Because we just can't wait and let anyone from the state unions be unemployed even for one day, despite our economy bleeding jobs. Yes, someone losing a job is always sad, but we don't have enough money for this level of waste anymore, something has to go. The job of the legislative process is to decide what to prioritize in the budget and what to leave out. ODOT has failed to complete 4 out of 5 of its biggest projects just this last few years, clearly those aren't actually priorities to ODOT anymore, why should we trust that this new "emergency" list of to dos is actually going to get done? We don't need more taxes we don't need another state of emergency, ODOT needs to finish the projects it already has received funding for, and the governor needs to get used to working within the budget she has not the imaginary budget she wants. Everyone else in the state of Oregon has to work within our means and it is high time our elected representatives do the same!