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I STRONGLY OPPOSE this bill.

Oregon citizens do NOT want to wage war on the federal government as much as this majority legislative body is choosing to do. It is time for you all to realize that the US Citizen and Oregonian DO NOT want it's legislators to withhold money from the federal government and to abide by federal law.

This state cannot afford to use our tax dollars to do such a stupid and ludicrous suggestion as this bill. When is it ok to place a priority over illegal behavior over legal behavior? Why is the federal government withholding funds again? Is it because this legislative body has placed a priority of illegal behavior over legal behavior?

It is time for you all to concentrate on making this state BETTER for Oregonians and STOP giving precedence to people who do not vote for you, or do they? What do you stand for if you do not stand for the majority of the people in this state and the actual US citizen?

Statistics clearly show that the safest cities in America are non-sanctuary cities that do not shield criminals. Is all you have to do is honor detainers on criminal illegal aliens and predators in custody of our prisons and jails over to federal law enforcement. Why is this legislative body willing to protect these folks over the law abiding US Citizen and Oregonian? This does not benefit the American citizen who are Oregonians who vote for you. It's time you prioritize the people in this state and work on creating legislation that benefits the Oregonian and the businesses in this state. You are not focused properly on what the people really want. The No tax referendum and the signatures that were gathered during a short window and during major holidays need to give you a clue. Oregonians need you to start focusing on making this state affordable for the citizen and for business. This legislative body needs to get in touch with the laws of the land, the constitution, and the way the law works. Federal law trumps state law as set up in the US Constitution and affirmed by the US Supreme Court. This is called the supremacy clause.

The federal laws reign supreme and nullify any state laws that are in direct conflict with the laws as made and passed by congress. When states refuse to honor federal laws then they are in rebellion against America's constitutional government and it's framework and are acting in an unconstitutional and unlawful manner. When states are acting this way and then ban together to go against the federal government then they have become states united in a confederation/confederacy. The last time

democrats did this with the states that they controlled stating their sovereignty from the federal government of America and that their states rights and interests trumped that of the federal government that they disagreed with and would not comply with, a civil war was created and fought. These laws you are seeking to pass to further entrench and beef up Oregon's sanctuary status to rebel against the federal government are futile and will not pass constitutional and judicial muster. Wanting to offer sanctuary to illegal aliens that have not committed any other crime since their illegal entry into America and not wanting to use state resources to help with federal operations is one thing. But not wanting to hand over incarcerated illegal aliens in our jails and prisons honoring deportation detainers is a whole separate matter that should have no part and portion in a states sanctuary status.

NO to HB 4143.