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HB4125

Having contributed into the Oregon tax system for over four decades, a significant amount of my earnings throughout those years has been paid into the system to help support this state. However, when taxed above and beyond ("surplus") what the citizens of Oregon have voted for - or voted against, it is morally and ethically the responsibility of our elected officials, who are in office to represent the citizens of Oregon, to return those overpaid ("surplus") dollars to those who have paid into the Oregon tax system, in the form of the Kicker Refund.

Oregon HB 4125 is designed to alter the already-established calculations for Kicker Refunds, therefore, fewer Refunds would be produced because of the altered calculations.

Every citizen of Oregon has the right to be heard on this concerning issue. Every elected official has the responsibility to take the citizens' concerns seriously.

These overpaid ("surplus") tax dollars should never go to a chosen special interest of those currently elected to office or by diverting surplus dollars to try to pay for any special interests of previously elected officials. The overpaid ("surplus") money belongs to those who paid into the system and needs to be returned, again, in the form of the already-established, correctly calculated Kicker Refund.