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the kicker tax is in oregon's constitution to be paid when the forecasters of the economic state of revenues are off and result in a surplus. the legislature is not permitted to simply keep the surplus. it is by law required to be returned to the people, voted on in 1979 by the oregon legislature of the state to control state spending. if mismanagement on the part of tobias reid as secretary of state has created a deficit in the pers fund, it should not be on the backs of everyday oregonians to fund it. as a born and raised oregonian i find it offensive that they think they can just keep the kicker. you don't just walk into the office one day and say 'i am changing the rules'. if any of you in salem actually cared about the citizens of the state, you would definitely oppse this bill. learn to manage your budget better as we all have to. to change the constitution it should go to the people for a vote, not on a whim to fund other items as decided by the government officials. you were elected to serve us, not that we are here to serve you.