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Committee: House Committee On Revenue
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To my Oregon Legislature,

First, I oppose any bill or measure being processed without public input with ample appropriate time for the citizens to express positions on the matter. Much like the transportation tax that was attempted to be pushed onto us without a vote, the process here feels much the same.

The kicker...is like a present you were not expecting. For those of us that work and pay taxes, that may or may not even complain that we feel we pay too much, but still pay our share, the idea of getting some back because we overpaid is wonderful. It is a feeling that both the state was fiscal we owe you all a bit of thanks but also a pat on the back to us all that would receive the kicker...job well done, here you go, have a nice day.

The thought of not being able to vote on receiving this refund, does not sit well with me and most people. It is a slap in the face about paying taxes. It makes me want to file with the smallest amount coming out of my paycheck to the state all year long and saving it in an account just so you wouldn't have any extra of my overpayment. That being said, I get I may not understand how the kicker works in its entirety, and it isn't because I personally overpaid, but I have to imagine, my refund being on the higher end, would feel just like that. That I overpaid and you are giving me my change back.

Please don't pass any bill or measure that takes money away from the people of Oregon, without a vote and most certainly, just don't do it.