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Hello

Enough taxation. How about reform of state government? Let's talk about cuts of useless programs or a retirement program that bankrupts the state. Perhaps the state should do what private business does when things get hard they take pay cuts or reduce unneeded positions. Oregon is too focused on government operations. Oregon is already rated as one of the worst tax states. Is that the end goal to be the worst rated? Our biggest employers are leaving or already left. Who is going to continue to pay these taxes when people and businesses continue to leave and the remaining or new coming people are on entitlement programs that do not contribute to anything. Who is asking these questions? I would not be opposed to a sales tax if our income tax left and corporate tax. At least with a sales tax everyone pays the same rich or poor we all would pay an equitable share on goods and services. Something has to give. There must be sacrifices made and Kotek doesn't want to budget and make the hard decisions. The last decade has been a discharge of leadership for Oregon. What a shame Oregon used to be a proud great state now we are noted as a joke crime ridden homeless tax to the hilt sanctuary for all the failures of life state. What a great legacy.