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As a retired, Disabled American Veteran receiving a very limited income, the taxes for our property alone have already increased to the point of financial stress for our household. If Oregon income and property taxes aren't enough to create a functioning government (don't get me started on that one), yet there is enough revenue to offer a "kicker" to tax payers why is there an idea to further increase taxes? Eliminate the "kicker" if financial matters of the State are in dire need. Oregon taxes are already high enough. Oregon has already lost businesses that have found friendlier tax havens and sooner or later citizens paying sky-high taxes will soon follow, further reducing the State's tax income. A bill to increase taxes doesn't make financial sense.