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I can't afford any more taxes. I live on Social Security only, and it's only \$1000 a month. I also get \$63 a month on SNAP, whoo hoo. Can't even buy one bag of groceries for that and that does NOT last a month, not even a week. I have to pay for electricity, gasoline (which is too expensive here, compared to the rest of the country), car insurance, firewood, cell phone, Satellite TV and Satellite Internet (I'm out in the boonies and that's all I can get here), my Prescriptions, (which I have to pay more for because Medicare was changed), and food (which is way too expensive), and necessities like shampoo, etc. I can't even afford home insurance. I moved to Oregon because it's beautiful here, and the people are nice, and it was much cheaper than California, but it is quickly becoming like California because of all the taxes that have been imposed in the last 15 yrs. I thought Brown was a horrible governor, but Kotek is much worse. I'm not able to work anymore because of neck and back issues, so I really can't afford any more taxes of any kind.