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Via Electronic Mail

To: Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on General Government; Senator: Thatcher; Representatives: Noble; Post; [and many others].

Re: I DO NOT SUPPORT [HB 5021].

[HB 5021]: <u>https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/HB5021/Introduced</u> Analysis: <u>https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Downloads/MeasureAnalysisDocument/42696</u>

I hope my testimony doesn't hurt anyone's feelings but \$16,679,710.00 to fund the Office of the Governor is just a tad-bit too much money.

I recommend defunding of the Regional Solutions Program / Office. The Video-Lottery monies should be reaalocated to the schools until the House Bill that created this goofy organization can be abolished.

Dispersing Video-Lottery monies to the counties for "economic development" is so inherently stupid there are not enough expletives to analytically characterize this buffoonery. Yamhill County is so inept, any monies allocated here should be considered "wasted" as soon as the money leaves your finger-tips. They have a balance of roughly \$800,000. Do you even audit the counties or are these monetary dispersals just out of the "kindness of your depraved budgetary hearts?"

The Annual Performance Progress Report is full of useless statistical crap and is poorly formatted. The "font size" almost requires one to read the report via a scanning electron microscope. There are "No" code sections to explain the abbreviations used throughout the report. I DO NOT want my tax dollars funding this garbage.

The "COBID" process is burdensome and oppressive. Has anyone bothered to run a financial and or a performance audit? There are more "pork-shares" here than at a Farmer's Market.

The Governor's Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion / Affirmative Action should be defunded. There are several redundant systems nested in State Department and Offices that perform these functions.

The "Climate" programs have several Bills pending in the House and Senate so why allocate funding for this function in the Governor's Office budget?

The "Resiliency" funding request is vague and ambiguous. More justification and clarification is needed before my tax dollars fund an apparent "touchy-feely" program.

Lastly, well for now anyway, the Governor has too many FTEs in the "Communication" sector of her office. If the Governor feels she needs these people to do her talking, send the Governor to speech therapy and still defund this sector of the budget.

Try to have a good day! But, under NO circumstances review the Bills pending in the House and or the Senate for if you do-you will join me trying to get out of Oregon before property taxes go up to pay for this grand experiment in spending other people's monies.

Respectfully submitted, /s/ David S. Wall

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