

Submitter: Donna Cohen

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

Measure: SJR26

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Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue

Re: In support of SJR26

Donna L Cohen, Portland, Oregon.

Senator Meek and members of the committee:

Please put forward this amendment to the Oregon Constitution that would eliminate the kicker requirement to give surplus revenue back. Even if it were not in equitable it would not make sense. We have, among other needs, a huge housing deficit in Oregon and we need to use all resources possible to rectify it. On top of this need, the kicker inordinately goes to the wealthiest people. As it is, our income tax system is not nearly as progressive as it should be. Give the voters a chance to demonstrate that we want a different approach to surplus. Thank you.