

## I OPPOSE [SB 594].

As memorialized in [SB 594], contractors and subcontractors will be compelled to pay "Prevailing Rate Wages (PRW) and provide numerous "fringe benefits" for employees of a contractor and or subcontractor who has landed a contract(s) for Public Works Project(s) in Oregon.

This practice increases the costs of Public Works Projects because the aforementioned PRW and ancillary benefit costs will be part of the "Bid" submitted for the project. In other words, the taxpayers are subsidizing the PRW program.

Question: Is the PRW program a "tax or a gift" of taxpayer monies?

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