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To the Committee:

Ye Representatives of the People of Oregon. As a Native Oregonian, I have witnessed significant changes to the State of Oregon over my 62 years living and paying taxes here. One thing that never seems to change however, is the thirst of Government to reach into the pockets of it's citizenry in order to fund so called "needs of the government", and greedy politicians seeking to "make their Mark" in history by spending other People's money.

This Bill is not something that should be decided in the backrooms of the State Legislature, in a committee. You are attempting to deprive the average income Oregon citizen once again of access to their own funds through statecraft, which sometimes is comparable to spycraft... IF the Constitution, which is deadly serious to most of us in the state, is to be amended. DO IT IN PUBLIC, subject to a VOTE of the People. Not in a backroom, or by some committee, brought forth to a late-night vote.

Kind regards, with obvious cynicism.

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