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We should not amend the Oregon Constitution to allow the kicker to not be returned to the taxpayers.

The Kicker forces the Oregon Legislature to budget accordingly for the two year term. If the legislature cannot budget properly, that is not the fault of the taxpayer who has paid their taxes in good faith.

The kicker was passed by the people and is amended to the constitution, we have no interest in encouraging reckless spending without regard to the income tax stream.

The Oregon Legislature need to learn to budget in a responsible manner.