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I strongly oppose HJR 201. A statewide property tax is unreasonable.

The State of Oregon is already taxing businesses and individuals more than almost all other states in the United States.

The tax payers of Oregon are supposed to receive a kicker this year. Will Oregon try to steal that from the taxpayers to increase the revenue for the state?

Many counties operate with a balanced budget. It is extremely foolhardy to let the State of Oregon step in and add an additional tax to the voters of these counties.

A statewide property tax would create another UNELECTED agency with power to make rules and raise taxes. Only the elected legislators should make rules and only the voters should have the power to raise taxes.

The Oregon Constitution mandates taxation measures be brought to the people for a vote. This mandate is to protect homeowners from being taxed out of their homes.

HJR 201 must be stopped.