

Dear House Committee On Revenue,

As a lifelong Oregonian and son of parents that were lucky enough to build a small estate which my brother and I will eventually inherit, I have a “dog in this fight.” As a result, I have a reasonable understanding of the Estate Tax in Oregon as well. As a registered voter and tax payer in the State of Oregon, I am asking that you all vote in favor of HB 2301.

The estate assets that transfer to children, or whomever is Next of Kin, has already been taxed, as you well know. The issue I have with an Estate Tax, at any level, is in the fact that Oregon should NOT magically get a windfall because an Oregon Citizen died.

The children, family members, and Next of Kin, have just lost a loved one. The Estate will not replace who was lost, but by taxing the estate the State of Oregon is creating a huge burden to hurting grieving Oregonians, while getting a tiny bonus to the state income. This is not a kind way to treat the people you serve.

Please vote YES on HB 2301 and take care of the citizens you serve.

Thank you,

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