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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2301

I am an Oregon voter and I oppose the changes the HB 2301 would make to our estate tax. The reasons I oppose it is that according to the Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy the bottom 20% of Oregonians pay 12% of their income on state and local taxes and fees while the top 1% earners pay only 10.4%. The analysis says our estate tax is part of the reason the distribution is as fair as it is. Having a robust estate tax helps improve and maintain the fairness of Oregon taxes. It also does not place an undue burden on most estates with the exclusions in place for that. Please do not vote for HB 2301 and use the money to address the needs of our neediest. Support fairness in taxation policy!

Thanks,
Susan Watt
Oregon resident