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I oppose yet another tax and fee, especially when it goes for rail transportation. Rail transportation most always loses public monies and does not make sense in a world where transportation technology is steadily trending towards door to door pick up and drop off. According to U.S Bureau of Economic Analysis data, Oregon has the 8th highest cost of living and the 6th highest income taxation among the 50 U.S states - leaving Oregonians the 10th poorest of the 50 states. It's time Oregon state government go on a big diet through efficiency, staff reductions. If Portland's economy is in a doom loop (and ECO Northwest says so), Oregon is not far behind because of over taxation and over regulation.