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As more and more people lose their homes or living accommodations, taxes, fees, tariffs (any other name that is used) are increased or added. People are losing their jobs for many reasons, prices/costs of everything is steadily rising. We, the residents, have repeatedly voted down sales taxes but that is being negated by the "fees, tariffs, etc.". No matter what name is used...THIS IS FLAT OUT SALES TAX. Why are taxes, etc. being put onto anything without a vote of the people and why has our 'No' vote on sales taxes been overturned. We are NOT Washington State, we are NOT California State, we do not have to be 'Monkey See Monkey Do'. This TAX is just more money that always seems to disappear...it doesn't matter what it's purpose is supposed to be, it never goes to that place but there is sure a lot of committees, boards, overseers, etc. that are selected to use and spend it. Any tax that is put upon anything is on it for life, as many are well aware. We are struggling to make ends meet but more living expenses (housing, food, medical help, medicine, gasoline, utilities, heating, home repair, vehicle repair, etc.) rise almost daily. Good grief, there is an Oregon tax on any vehicle purchased out of Oregon when the state it was bought in charges no tax to the Oregon purchaser.

Why is the goal to tax people out of existence and put them in a box (apartment)? Walk six months in our shoes and see what life is really like for the ordinary tax payer.

I am on a fixed income and that doesn't allow for endless new taxes or increases. I was born and raised in Oregon....where has that Oregon gone? This state was declared a Sanctuary State...where is the sanctuary for we the taxpayers?
NO NEW OR INCREASED TAXES, FEES, TARIFFS, ETC.

Thank you, Nora Kroese