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I am in favor of amending the Oregon Constitution regarding reduced property tax for seniors. In addition to Senator Hayden's proposal to freeze property tax assessments for Oregonians 65 and older I would like to see tax exemptions for some tax levies and bonds such as schools. Also, the income thresholds to qualify should be more reasonable considering inflation and possible looming government cut backs like Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid and now homeowner's (fire) insurance.

Additionally, I feel the current deferral program is still needed as everyone's situation is a little different and hope it remains as an option.

Thank you.