## Taxpayers Association of Oregon No on SB 712

It is unfair to raise property taxes ...

- Our affordable housing crisis
- ⊗ when we rank the top 5 most expensive cost-of-living states
- 8 when utility prices jumped 40% since 2021
- ⊗ when gas taxes rose 5%, DMV fees +50% last year alone
- ® when local governments raised a billion in new property taxes last year!

At the same time, local governments are abusing our property tax dollars...

- our <u>property tax dollars being lost by the hundreds of millions</u> to urban renewal projects that mostly benefit private businesses?
- Tens of millions of property tax dollars spent buying vacant land (for unused public purposes) making affordable housing crisis worse while taking property revenue off the tax rolls
- Local governments tax dollars spent on building \$100 million dollar bridges that don't allow cars?