

Submitter: Deborah Knapp

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB712

Dear Senate Committee Members,

I am adamantly opposed to this kind of oppressive taxation that will price Oregon families and retirees out of our homes. This proposed bill for annual increases in the assessed value of properties (resulting in higher property taxes) will put yet another hardship on already struggling Oregonians. It will NOT increase housing. Housing will become even more unaffordable than it is now. In order to strengthen a community, housing must be affordable and plentiful. Higher prices on property through higher assessed values will tighten the market and limit community investments. These hardships weaken communities. I hope and pray you will vote a strong NO on this painful bill. It is incredibly expensive and we Oregonians cannot afford it. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

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