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How to best spend our HB 5006 tax dollars?

Citizens of Oregon work for a living. This means we exchange our time for dollars and use those dollars to pay for housing, food/water, energy, medical care, transportation. We strive to learn and improve our skills that allow us to earn a better wage/salary to ease the cost of earning a living.

To all of us that earn a living taxes are the monster in the room. We know taxes are needed for the following:

- 1. Road maintenance
- 2. Law enforcement
- 3. Fire fighting
- 4. Public school, the basics -reading, writing, arithmetic, industrial arts, home economics, sports.

Taxes are sky high at current rates. Absolutely no new taxes are needed for at least 5 years.

Oregon obviously has too many tax dollars to spend already, since all received can't be accounted for (reference \$2.9 billion in 2023 audit by Oregon Sect of State – accounting errors). The \$2.9 billion is only one example – enough to build 5,800 homes costing \$500,000 each – UNACCOUNTED FOR.

Use tax \$ that are currently unaccounted for – find out where they are. Return lost \$ to the HB 5006 fund. HB 5006 should fund only projects for *Road Maintenance, Law Enforcement, Firefighting and Public Schools and continuing education (for the basics of education only).*

Freeze any and all tax increases for a 5-year period. Account for every tax dollar collected.

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