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I OPPOSE HB 2321 AS UNCONSTITUTIONAL ANY WAY YOU LOOK AT IT.

The task force shall study and prepare a report on the disparate impacts, if any, of Article XI, section 11b, of the Oregon Constitution (Ballot Measure 5 (1990)), and Article XI, section 11, of the Oregon Constitution (Ballot Measure 50 (1997)), on historically disadvantaged communities, including but not limited to any downstream impacts on rental variation. This isn't an impact of Measures 5 & 50 because giving disadvantaged additional tax credit doesn't violate the constitution. So the intent of the task force is to establish Measures 5 & 50 as a base and allow for an exception to be taxed more on those not qualified as disadvantaged. That won't pass a court challenge because it violates the constitution, so there is no purpose for this study or bill.

Any study will be slanted with intentions for legislation. What possible legislation would be constitutional? The sponsorship of legislation by a task force is also unconstitutional.