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With already some of the highest gas prices in the nation, and some of the poorest budget handling by a state, it seems ridiculous to tax and raise additional that will only go to on subsidization of homeless policies etc. Rather, why don't we encourage people to take those extra dollars and spend them in our state on goods and services that support people who work and try to make meaningful contributions to the state. We don't need to raise money to the detriment of citizens in order to fuel the agenda of government.

I know many high income earners that are thinking about leaving the state for exactly these types of reasons. It's time Oregon legislators woke up and realized Intel could disappear, Nike is becoming more dissatisfied with Oregon based on business lunches I've attended, and the city across the river (Vancouver) is growing rapidly... That should give us a pause for thought at the very least.