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These fees are completely absurd. Ridiculous that a person trying to get a CDL to go to work should be FINED \$548.00 to go to work in the state of Oregon. There is no way it costs that kind of money to issue a CDL in the State of Oregon. These DMV fees are to cover admin costs, not to be revenue for the state of OR. Oregon voters have made it clear that we don't approve sales taxes of any kind, yet we have the Corporate Activity Tax imposed upon us without voter approval. Now that you have gotten away with that, you now feel you have the green light to impose sales tax on new and used vehicles since we must register them with the State. I have, in the past, enjoyed having multiple vehicles to use throughout the year for different purposes and paying \$6.00 to switch the plates when needed. Now, I must pay \$30.00 each time I want to switch plates between vehicles, so when I switch back each year it costs \$60.00 and so every 2 years it costs \$120.00 which is what it costs to register any vehicle for a 2 year period. So now I might run my firewood truck for 2 weeks out of the year and I am forced to pay that \$120 every 2 years as the cost is the same. Again, taxation without representation. I pay Corporate Taxes, Income taxes, Business taxes, Property Taxes, of which I have no choice. If delinquent, in paying those fees, the fines are totally outrageous. Is this liberty? NO. This is government extortion of the worst kind. We the people all have to live within our means even after these imposed taxes, yet you, the State of Oregon have no idea what that is like. You need to balance your budget like everyone else and quit enslaving your constituents. No more imposed new taxes without representation! Between the required Insurance and taxes imposed, I feel like I am paying the mafia to "Keep ME Safe"!