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No on HB 2977

Stop abusing the hotel tax to pay for unrelated expenses

House Bill 2977 raises the hotel lodging tax and funds an Oregon wildlife program. Oregon has nearly doubled the hotel lodging tax to fund Eugene sport programs, and now some politicians wish to expand the hotel tax to fund even more programs that appear completely unrelated to the hotels in Oregon. There have been controversies with Bend, Linn County and Salem for mis-using their hotel tax dollars on unrelated expenses. Salem wanted to use hotel taxes to pay for library costs. This existing hotel tax would be on top of local car rental taxes (Portland at 17%) which are sky high.

Hotels need help not hurt. No On HB 2977