

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

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Measure Argument for County Voters' Pamphlet

Primary Election 20__ General Election 2012 Special Election _____ (date)

Measure No.: 26-146 Argument in Favor Argument in Opposition

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Date signed

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Please Vote No on 26-146
(It is the absolute worst of the tax measures before you)

26-146 makes Portland the only city in Oregon with its own personal income tax!

84 percent of adult Portland residents will be charged a fixed \$35 per year. Thousands of financially struggling Portland adults will be charged this \$35, including stay-at-home spouses and college students with less than \$35 in income.

26-146 is a Trojan horse, a new way to jack up City taxes!

The city auditor reports the City is spending beyond what may be sustainable, and this while the City fails to maintain existing assets such as roads. Today, the City goes outside its core function and asks for \$35 for the children; but tomorrow, maybe it's \$100 for other City purposes.

26-146 is largely unnecessary!

City arts (RACC) funding is already expanding nearly 6 percent per year (per IRS), and would balloon almost overnight. RACC would receive nearly half this measure's revenues.

26-146 helps subsidize arts and music for the 1%!

RACC helps subsidize such ticket events as Opera, attended by those more than capable of paying full cost. (The ballot title statement misleads as the underlying law only requires 5% for low income access.)

26-146 is not favorably viewed!

The Oregonian says this tax is bad. Incoming Commissioner Novick is quoted saying about it, "beyond regressive." (July 22, 2012, [Oregonian](#).)

26-146 is permanent, not reviewable by voters!

Portlanders will not get to vote again, if actual results underperform.

26-146 may be also ineffective!

The underlying law still allows the Mayor and School(s) to cut arts and music.

26-146 creates an unethical money trail!

Charities funding the campaign in favor of this measure receive City of Portland funding. This should be illegal.

For the Taxpayer Association of Oregon,

Bob Clark
Economist, Portlander

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VOTE NO ON MEASURE 26-146

THE BIGGEST INVASION OF PRIVACY IN THE HISTORY OF PORTLAND

Every single adult living in Portland would be required to file a tax return with the City of Portland—even if they do not file a federal or state tax return. Even if they do not have a job.

The City says: “All adult residents would be required to file the one-page form.”

Portland Revenue Bureau and Office of Management and Finance,
Arts Education and Access Income Tax, 6/12

PRYING INTO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY’S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Portlanders exempt from the tax would have to give pages and pages of personal information to city bureaucrats to prove their exemption.

The City says: “[T]his tax needs to be based on the general rule that all residents of Portland will be presumed to be subject to the tax until records are available or can be provided that verify that they are not subject to the tax.”

Portland Revenue Bureau and Office of Management and Finance,
Arts Education and Access Income Tax, 6/12

A TAX THAT TARGETS VOTER REGISTRATION

If you register to vote in Portland, be prepared for a tax bill. The City says that voter registration records would be one of many “enforcement tools” to collect the tax.

Portland Revenue Bureau and Office of Management and Finance
Arts Education and Access Income Tax, 6/12

A TAX THAT IS “BEYOND REGRESSIVE”

Even with a poverty exemption, more than 60,000 Portlanders who earn less than \$35 a day would have to pay the tax.

Incoming City commissioner Steve Novick says the tax is “beyond regressive.”

Steve Novick, *The Oregonian*, 7/21/12

AN UNCONSTITUTIONAL TAX

Article IX, Section 1a of the Oregon Constitution forbids this type of tax.

Voters must reject Measure 26-146.

Eric Fruits

**Portland economist and Portland Public Schools parent
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