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Even more should be done for our seniors on fixed incomes. As an HOA President of Wilsonville Meadows, 1/3 of our residents are seniors; many of them are on fixed incomes. Sixty percent of our community of Wilsonville is deemed low-income by EcoNW. When property taxes continue to rise on our seniors, we see many of them forced to sell their long-term homes. Many of our residents in our community have lived here for 30-40 years and have taken pride in their homes, yards, property. We should not be taxing senior citizens on fixed incomes out of their homes when they are in their 70's, 80's and 90's. This bill does not go far enough. Property taxes for are low-income seniors should be discontinued to allow seniors to remain in their homes. I wish the state legislature would do more in this area. It is a first step but you have a long way to go.