



# PROTECT THE MORTGAGE INTEREST DEDUCTION FOR ALL OREGONIANS

## WHY MID MATTERS

The MID is Oregon's only tax policy making homeownership more affordable for all Oregonians. Mortgage interest is the largest component of housing costs for most homeowners.

## CURRENT LAW ALREADY LIMITS THE MID

The MID is already capped at \$750k in combined mortgage debt and is only available for primary and second homes for personal use. It does not apply to rentals or third homes.

## IMPACT ON HOMEOWNERS

Eliminating or reducing the MID won't just affect future buyers—it will hit current homeowners who are locked into their mortgages, stripping away deductions they rely on to manage fixed costs.

## UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES

Limiting the MID for first or second homeowners gives a further advantage to wealthy cash buyers and investors. Mortgage holders already pay 3x more in monthly housing costs than cash buyers.

## OREGON'S COMPETITIVENESS

Eliminating the MID for 2<sup>nd</sup> homes would make it harder for people who split time in two locations because of work, family or retirement, adding another blow to Oregon's ability to attract and retain people in the face of slowing population growth and declining competitiveness.

**DON'T MAKE IT MORE EXPENSIVE TO PURCHASE AND OWN A HOME IN OREGON. OPPOSE CHANGES TO OREGON'S MORTGAGE INTEREST DEDUCTION.**

## BY THE NUMBERS



+\$2,500	YEARLY TAX INCREASE - NO MID
+\$50,000	TAX INCREASE OVER 30-YEAR MORTGAGE - NO MID

*Based on a home purchased at Oregon's average price of \$500k with 10% down and 6% interest rate.*

## BEND, OREGON

\$790,817 MEDIAN HOME PRICE

\$751,276 MORTGAGE AT 5% DOWN

*A Bend resident purchasing the average-priced home with 5% down would already exceed the \$750k cap and could not take the MID on a second home or a home equity loan.*