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Oregon Taxpayer Alert!

Lawmakers Consider Raising Taxes

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) commends Oregon lawmakers for holding the line on tax increases in the 2002 special legislative sessions and strongly opposes any renewed efforts to increase the excise tax on beer in Oregon.

Voters soundly rejected the Measure 28 tax increase in January. “Raising taxes doesn’t solve the real problem with the Oregon budget – that of excessive spending,” said Grover Norquist, President of ATR. “Oregon Governor Ted Kulongoski has stated, ‘I’m not going to ask the Legislature, and I’m not going to ask the citizens of Oregon to raise taxes. We will make do with what we have.’ The Governor is right. The taxpayers of Oregon deserve to keep more of their hard-earned income,” concluded Norquist.

Additionally, the following Oregon lawmakers signed the Taxpayer Protection Pledge sponsored by ATR, thereby promising to “oppose and vote against any and all efforts to increase taxes:”

Senator Jackie Winters (District 10)
Senator Steven Harper (District 28)
Representative Cliff Zauner (District 22)
Representative Tim Knopp (District 54)
Representative William Garrard (District 56)

Americans for Tax Reform is a non-partisan coalition of taxpayers and taxpayer groups who oppose all tax increases. For more information or to arrange an interview please contact Jonathan Collegio at (202) 785-0266 or by email at jcollegio@atr.org.