

OREGON REALTORS URGE A YES VOTE ON MEASURE 79

Voting **“YES”** on Measure 79 will stop governments from being able to impose real estate transfer taxes on your home. These taxes are an additional tax that is charged each and every time property is sold or transferred. Voting **“YES”** is the only way to truly ensure that governments will not impose these double taxes on our homes.

- Oregonians already pay significant property taxes for services in their communities, and adding an additional tax on homeowners in these difficult economic times would be unfair.
- Every day we see our neighbors and friends selling their homes at a loss due to a job loss or pay cut, yet a transfer tax would still be charged on them when they are losing money.
- Enough is enough; we Oregonians value our quality of life and pay high property taxes to make it possible, but piling on a whole new tax on homeowners who are struggling just isn't right.
- Voting **“YES”** on Measure 79 does not take away any current funding for schools, fire fighters or police officers.
- As we see every day, achieving the American Dream of homeownership is becoming more and more difficult, and adding on multiple layers of additional taxes on homes will put the dream further out of reach.
- Our economy and the real estate industry can't withstand yet another new tax being piled on homeowners.
- Politicians have considered the idea of charging or allowing multiple layers of transfer taxes each and every legislative session for the last decade, and in fact one of the state's largest governments made charging this tax one of their top priorities just this year.

Existing law does not prevent state politicians from imposing this tax on your home. The only way to truly protect us all from the damaging impacts of this tax is to vote **“YES”** on Measure 79.