

Sizemore addresses Measures 47, 50

■ **TAXES:** Measure 47 will reduce the 1997-98 property tax back to the 1996-97 rate, minus 10 percent

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Eugene Rotary Club members had a chance during their last meeting to hear Measure 47 creator Bill Sizemore speak about the measures as well as ask him questions.

"Property taxes are a problem; the property tax system is broken and unfair," Sizemore said. Measure 47 is the answer to the problem, he said.

"You can write it, or I'll write it," said Sizemore, emphasizing the importance of the public to vote on issues in which they have a say.

The consensus of the public, he said, is that nothing will be done

to solve the problem of property tax; however, according to the last election, 52 percent of Oregonians agree that they would like tax relief.

Measure 47 reduces 1997-98 property tax back to what it was in 1995-96 minus 10 percent, and there would be only a 3 percent tax increase per year.

To deal with complaints from citizens who are opposed to Measure 47, Measure 50 was created and proposed.

"Measure 50 should be supported by opponents and supporters of Measure 47," Sizemore said. He also said he believes Measure 50 is a better law than Measure 47.

The people get roughly 90 percent of the money they would have in Measure 47, he said. The cap still stands at 3 percent; however, the 3 percent is taken from the assessment, and the rate is frozen. It was the opposite for the

Measure 47.

There is a 50 percent voter turnout requirement in Measure 47 as well as in Measure 50. This means property tax can only be increased in general elections, and there must be a 50 percent voter turnout.

Club members had a few minutes at the end of Sizemore's speech to ask questions. One member asked what the taxpayers' knowledge of property tax was. The member said most people believe the money goes to Salem and that the aim is to reduce spending in Salem.

A second member questioned the meaning of a clause in Measure 47 that states if cuts are necessary, priorities are given to public safety and education. Sizemore said it is beyond his scope to limit the government's spending of money, that it's up to the elected officials and that safety is sacred.

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