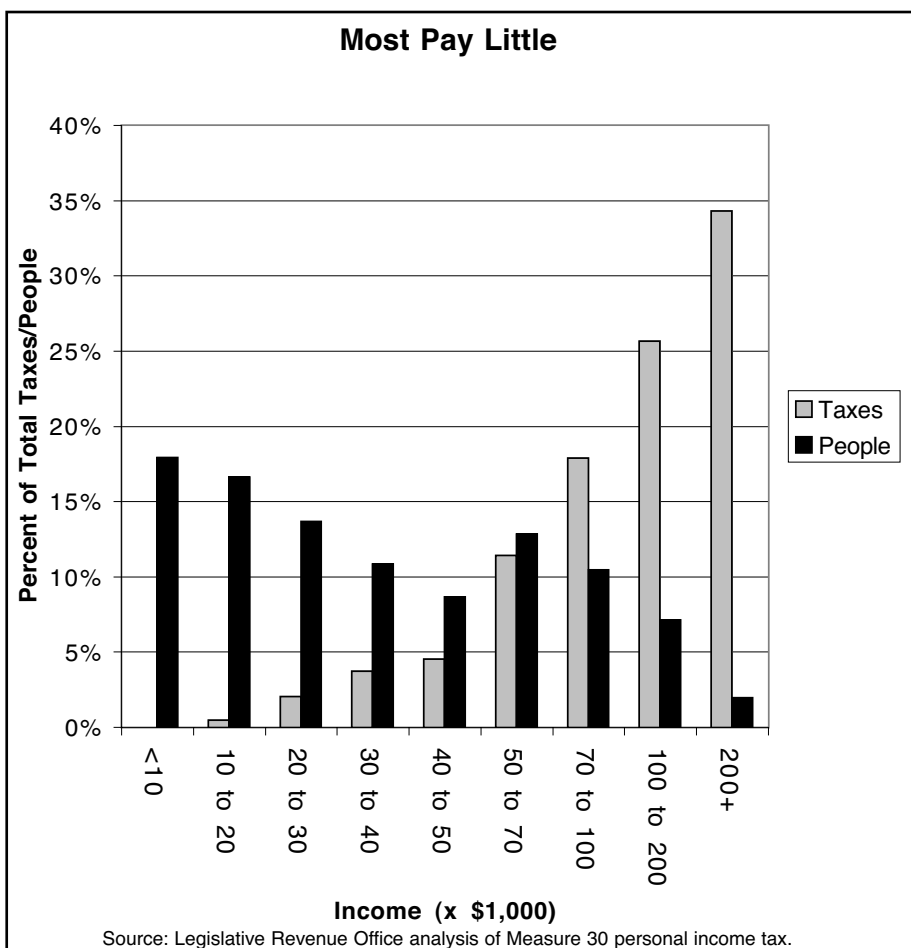




Public Safety & Courts - Cut \$69 million

Kid jails would lose \$9 million, cutting counseling and treatment programs for delinquents. Adult prisons would take a \$7 million hit with reduced treatment for drugs, mental disorders, anger and sexual deviance. The state police would lay off half their crime lab

workers and underfunded courts could clog.

Locally, the county jail and parole and probation would lose \$1.8 million.

Pooh-Poohing

State anti-government conservatives,

The steeply graduated tax increase means that the 68 percent of state taxpayers who earn less than \$50,000 will pay only 11 percent of the personal income tax increase. The elite seven percent of taxpayers earning more than \$100,000 will pay 60 percent of the tax increase.

backed by the Washington, D.C.-based anti-tax group Citizens for a Sound Economy, pooh-pooh the predictions of drastic cuts in state services. After Measure 5 and Measure 28, the cuts weren't very severe, they say.

But Measure 30 supporters say the economic boom in the 1990s boosted income tax revenue and disguised the impact of Measure 5 until the recent bust. Measure 28 cuts were real and 90 districts closed their schools early.

"It's not a case of crying wolf," Bryant says.

Opponents also argue that a recession isn't the time to increase taxes and that Measure 30 will cost jobs. But an economic analysis by the Oregon Center for Public Policy (OCP) shows that killing the measure will suck \$1.9 billion from the state econ-

omy in state spending and lost federal matching dollars, costing thousands of jobs. A similar tax increase in the 1980s didn't keep Oregon from bouncing back from a recession, supporters also say.

Measure 30 won't make Oregon's already low business tax burden much higher, according to OCP. On the other hand, if it doesn't pass, businesses will be reluctant to locate in a state with such underfunded schools.

Supporters also point out that gutting the Oregon Health Plan will flood local emergency rooms with indigent patients that can't be turned away, increasing hospital costs and, subsequently, private insurance premiums for most Oregonians.

Measure 30 opponents say government needs to cut fat rather than raise taxes. But

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