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Oregon lawmakers, at least some of them, came up with a nifty new trick this legislative session, one that may or may not pass constitutional muster. They've approved at least one bill, [Senate Bill 28](#), which raises taxes without having to earn the three-fifths majority in both houses the state constitution requires, and they've been working on another.

(...)

While the Legislature must balance the budget, tippy-toeing across the constitution is not the way to go about it.

Rather, Democrats and Republicans must work together to bring spending under control, including spending on the state's Public Employee Retirement System. They must work together, too, to come up with tax proposals that don't leave nearly half of the Legislature holding its nose and voting "no." Anything less than that violates the spirit of the state constitution and could end up in court.

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