

Oregon Senate Republicans

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Democrats use parliamentary tricks to steal money from the kicker

SALEM, Ore. – Today, Senate Democrats voted to pass a bill that steals millions of dollars from taxpayers by stripping money from the kicker tax rebate. House Bill 2975 will reduce the overall kicker by over \$108 million, making each kicker rebate smaller.

"In committee, Republicans were told that this 'budget rebalance' bill is routine, and that it happens all the time. This is just another example of how a supermajority is bad for Oregonians," said Senate Minority Leader Herman Baertschiger, Jr. "Democrats can use parliamentary tricks and pass legislation without a single Republican vote. The kicker is the only tool Oregonians have to stop the Democrats from overinflating the budget, and they are slowly taking that tool away from Oregonians."