

NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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ADMINISTRATION NOT HEEDING TAXPAYERS REVOLT, DOLE SAYS

Portland, Oregon -- The Carter Administration has proposed more tax increases and opposed more tax reductions than any national administration in recent history, Senator Bob Dole said today.

"In less than two years, President Carter has signed a \$225-billion Social Security tax hike, proposed a \$125-billion energy tax package, threatened to impose \$12 billion in fees on imported fuels, and sharply curtailed his own modest income tax cut plan." Dole said

"At the same time, he has strongly opposed Senator Bob Packwood's plan to provide tuition tax credits for parents of college students, he has denounced our plan to automatically adjust federal income taxes to compensate taxpayers for government-induced inflation, he has thwarted efforts to roll back Social Security taxes, and he has criticized a Republican-sponsored plan to ease the capital gains tax bite on homeowners and investors."

"At a time when taxpayers yearn for relief from high taxes, when the first signs of a taxpayers' revolt are sweeping the nation, the American people have a right to expect some leadership from the White House. Instead, every attempt to reduce taxes has been met with strong opposition by the Administration."

"The people of Oregon are like people throughout the nation. They know that the federal government can continue to provide a high level of services without extracting higher and higher taxes from the American people. They want an end to paternalistic government, double-digit inflation and reckless federal spending."

"They deserve our support, even if their President refuses to listen."

Dole spoke at the Republican State Party Candidates' fundraising reception.