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I am in STRONG opposition of the ridiculous proposed pay raises for these “government and judicial and state workers”. Why so much? 60%! The regular pay raises for the working class citizen does not come anywhere near that. The average worker will never reach that percentage in their entire work career, not in 3 or 4 work careers. What do they do to deserve such a significant increase? They are not performing hard labor like construction workers or the many jobs that call for physicality, do they risk being shot and killed by criminal entities in our state like police officers, or dying in a fire like our firefighters? Listening and seeing some of the things they are allowing to happen in our state, doesn't seem like they are rocket scientists. Why? We have a rail system that the majority of the people of Hawaii opposed, YET, it was built. The “NEW” stadium was a waste of our taxpayer monies, again. Why? Do they need such a HEFTY pay raise, again. The rail system, which we were told would be in the millions is now in the billions, EXPLAIN THAT. We got a homeless problem, how is that going to be solved? Not by making these people richer and not investing in our people who need help. You want to force us to get vaccinated which is the beginning of removing our right to choose. That's control. We live in a free country last time I checked. I DON'T WANT MY TAX DOLLARS to be used to subvert the administration of the President of the United States, which by the way is working FOR the people, UNLIKE the administration here that seems to be putting their needs above everyone else. DO NOT allow this travesty to continue !

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