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Representative Tobias Reed, Chair House Transportation and Economic Development Committee

Testimony of the City of Salem In Support of HB 2766

The City of Salem supports HB 2766 to increase aircraft fuel tax to 11 cents per gallon for aircraft fuels other than fuel usable by turbine engines, directing revenue to deferred maintenance of certain airports and supporting Oregon Department of Aviation operations. The tax increase will provide additional funding for grant programs for both State-owned airports as well as other public-use airports across the state, including Salem. Grants will support deferred maintenance projects not eligible for federal funding and provide matching funds for federal grants, including for improvements to the Salem Municipal Airport.

Thank you.

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