I am writing this to express my strong opposition and urge you to take all measures to oppose HB 3193.

Aviation in Oregon and the country in general is already far too expensive and any measure that increases the cost of aviation will not be beneficial to either the aviation community or the general public.

Further, the FAA is already in the process of testing non-leaded aviation fuel so this bill is simply not needed. The fact that the amount of the tax and the subsequent 2017 increase are not specified makes the bill even more unacceptable. Lastly, if the measure were to pass it is entirely likely that when the unleaded fuel replaces the current low lead that this measure will not simply go away but instead the language restricting the tax to leaded fuel will simply be removed and we will then simply have a tax on all aviation fuel.

The Oregon Legislature would be well advised to address their financial shortfall in the states budget by eliminating the obscene level of wasted tax dollars in this state instead of their usual action to simply raise more taxes.

Thank you,

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