

## Oregon State Chamber of Commerce

## The Oregon State Chamber of Commerce represents 66 local Chambers of Commerce throughout Oregon and our 24,000 business members.

**The OSCC is opposed to SB 324.** We don't see any way in which SB 324 does not increase the cost of transportation fuel in Oregon significantly.

Our local communities depend on healthy businesses, disposable income for our residents, robust tourism, and a safe and reliable transportation infrastructure.

We oppose SB 324 because it means less disposable income for our residents to spend in our businesses. It means higher costs for our businesses. It means fewer people visiting our communities and spending money in our local shops, restaurants and hotels.

We are also concerned because the increased fuel costs will siphon income away from our communities, and none of the revenue raised will support any local transportation projects.

In short, we believe the costs associated with SB 324 far outweigh the benefits. We don't see any economic benefits to our communities as a result of SB 324. We ask that you vote 'no' the legislation.

The following 20 local Chambers of Commerce have also adopted positions in opposition to SB 324:

- ✓ Baker County Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Bay Area Chamber of Commerce (Coos Bay & North Bend)
- ✓ Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Bend Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Chehalem Valley Chamber of Commerce (Newberg)
- ✓ Grants Pass/Josephine County Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Gresham Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Heppner Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Hermiston Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Hillsboro Area Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Keizer Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Madras/Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ North Clackamas Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Salem Area Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Stayton/Sublimity Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Tigard Area Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Tillamook Area Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Tualatin Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Wilsonville Area Chamber of Commerce