

Dear Committee members;

I am writing you in opposition of the House Bill 2974. It makes absolutely no sense and is far too costly for those of us whom may rarely, if ever use this bridge.

Worse yet, this bill will override the decision made by the Salem City Council. This Council has spent years of thoughtful debate, listened to public opinion on the matter, and did not come upon the decision lightly.

The city and state need to work together to fix what is wrong with Salem's current infrastructure and channel transportation monies into that effort - certainly not tax people who won't or don't use a \$400 million dollar bridge.

Surely the House of Representatives can do better than this and their constituents will be better served as a result.

This bill will only serve to make Salem's traffic matters worse, not better.

And I, for one, am repulsed by the very idea of my farm property in Yamhill County being taxed to pay for a bridge I will never use. How dare you even consider such a thing!

Salem needs to focus on Salem's problems and not require outlying areas to finance a \$400 million dollar bridge that won't fix what is really wrong with Salem's infrastructure.

This state voter is strongly opposed and I know I speak for many others who share my view on the matter.

Sincerely;

Jalena Juarez

Yamhill County Resident