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Joint Committee on Transportation

Re: House Bill 2290

Dear Co-Chairs Senator Beyer & Representative McClain, Co-Vice Chairs Senator Boquist & Representative Noble, and members of the Committee:

I urge you to oppose House Bill 2290. I have lived in Oregon over seventy years and have not once seen legislation proposed to develop, implement and periodically update plan for installation and service of public gasoline & diesel filling stations in parking spaces that are part of facilities of our state park system. At tax payer expense.

Regardless of the sponsor's motives, multiple cost/benefit analyses (including Oregon's own) have clearly shown that relying on so-called "clean" energy for vehicles does in fact not only end up costing more, but takes a larger toll on our environment in way of resources used in manufacturing as well as contributing to the problem of toxic waste disposal.

It has also been shown that even if every Oregonian stopped driving internal combustion powered vehicles, the amount of carbon dioxide reduction would be immeasurably small, with no measurable impact at all on global emissions.

Just what precisely is the point of this legislation? Tax payers should not be forced to fund electric powered vehicles over other less costly modes of transportation.

Please do not move this misguided bill out of committee.

Sincerely,



Richard Wisner