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Senate Committee on Labor and Business

Re: Senate Bill 853

Dear Chair Senator Taylor, Vice-Chair Senator Bonhom and members Senators Hansell, Jama and Patterson:

I am all in favor of Senate Bill 853 being passed.

The ever-growing list of people getting a free ride has to stop somewhere. This at least sends a message.

There is no empirical data supporting the policy of paying travel costs for Oregon employees living out of state is beneficial to tax payers. Nor is there a valid argument to be had supporting the continuation of this practice.

I believe that, like myself, many tax-paying Oregonians are getting fed up with practices such as this.

No more free rides.

I strongly urge the committee to pass this bill.

Sincerely,

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