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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation
Measure: HB2098

Hello,

I support replacing this bridge, but oppose HB 2098 -2 and -4, because this legislation as currently written jeopardizes a right-sized Bridge Replacement, right now. I support the -3 Amendment (and the policy recommendations offered by the Just Crossing Alliance) that ensures this replacement bridge project moves forward smoothly with a right-sized design, explicit pro-labor provisions, financial guardrails, and major investments in mass transit. We need a clean bill focused solely on the replacement of this bridge so we secure immediate federal funding and prepare to hold hold a statewide conversations about the rest of our transportation system in future years. Sustainability of our eco system and way of life depends on the right choice in using precious resources.

Thank you.