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I'm opposed to SB 1572. I'm a firm believer and supporter of public transit, but this bill is not fiscally responsible. Currently, the WES loses money every year and costs a lot to operate. It's simply not responsible to fund a study when the line already loses millions of dollars every year. If and when ridership and revenue on the current WES line picks up, that's when this study should happen. If anything, we should be discussing funding the extension of the MAX green line out to Tigard and Tualatin like originally discussed four years ago.