HCR 42 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Rules

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure resolves that when new funding sources, including but not limited to a cap-and-invest program, are enacted and operative that it is the intent of the Legislative Assembly to reduce or phase out: the increases to the privilege tax and the privilege use tax made by the amendments to ORS 320.405 and 320.410 in chapter (blank), Oregon Laws 2025 (Enrolled House Bill 2025); the increase to the tax on wages for transit made by the amendments to ORS 320.550 in chapter (blank), Oregon Laws 2025 (Enrolled House Bill 2025); the increase to the tax on wages for transit made by the transfer tax and the transfer use tax imposed under sections 83 and 84, chapter (blank), Oregon Laws 2025 (Enrolled House Bill 2025).

Fiscal impact: No fiscal impact Revenue impact: No revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

House Bill 2025 A is the transportation funding and policy package for the 2025 session. It includes increases to not only the fuel taxes, but also to fees for services and documents produced by ODOT; increases to the employee payroll tax that provides funding for transit services statewide; increases to the privilege tax; and a new vehicle transfer tax to provide continued funding for electric vehicle rebates and charging infrastructure, completion of the legacy highway projects still awaiting funding, and safety projects statewide through the Great Streets and Safe Routes to Schools programs. It also transfers the authority to appoint the director of the Oregon Department of Transportation to the Governor (with Senate approval), enhances ODOT audit requirements, and directs a number of studies to be completed.