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No Tax on Tires. This bill will have a detrimental impact on vehicle safety by making tires more expensive than they already are. Tires are a huge investment for every vehicle owner and the cost has increased substantially over the past few years. I have worked in the tire industry and people truly run tires until they are slicks and/or showing cords. I've even seen mechanics run tires past wear bars because every day, all day tires are too expensive. Taxing everyone's tires and diverting the funds to off-highway goals makes zero sense, like taxing gas to pay for roads that electric vehicles/ bicycles will use but no pay for. We need to stop imposing taxes on The People and start using the funds more effectively and staying on budget. People are struggling as it is and one more tax so people can get to and from their jobs to pay tax is not fair. Tire pollution often comes from a lack of recycling centers or excessive fees for recycling tires. Coffin Butte Landfill charges \$13 per passenger tire (according to their website), which results in a 4 tire car costing \$52 in disposal. If you want to reduce pollution, bring down the costs of disposal. Educate the public of the impacts and empower people with education and resources to properly dispose of used tires.