

## Taxpayers Association of Oregon opposes the tire tax HB 3362

• Oregon already pays high transportation taxes than most of America. Oregon is in the top 10 most expensive gas taxes, auto fees and license plate fees in America.

• Oregon is the only state with a statewide payroll tax dedicated to transit.

• Where are the funds from the Biden Infrastructure Act? Different sources say Oregon received between \$1.2 billion and \$5 billion in infrastructure & Jobs Act funds. Why is that money not spent on unmet transportation needs?

• Oregon spends money on car-less bridges. Oregon spent \$134 million on a Portland bridge across the Willamette that allows buses but not cars. Another just completed bridge cost \$19 million to build and also does not allow cars. Since the tire tax plans to use funds for wildlife road passages, how many roadway wildlife passages could have been built for the \$150 million spent on car-less (and seldom used) bridges?