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On Behalf Of:
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Co-CHairs Representative McLain and Senator Gorsek,

I own a small trucking company located in southern Oregon. Specifically we are engaged in the transportation of forest products and employ roughly 20 people. We in the trucking industry here in Oregon are already taxed the highest of any state in the nation. The forest products industry is especially slow right now. Rates are down, inflation is up, the electrification requirement for new trucks is an impossibility for our industry. New taxes, imposed on tires to support other programs that aren't helping to build or maintain our roads is not the right thing to do today. It seems likely we will need to somehow change the way we fund ODOT and we should focus on that as opposed to new taxes that do nothing to support them.

Thank you,

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