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On Behalf Of: Small Businesses with Commercial Vehicles
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3362

Representative Helm and Senator Gorsek, and members of the committee.

We have multiple Class C Commercial Vehicles each having a minimum of 10 Large Tires which are very expensive. We have to replace these every 6-8 years.

We also have pickups, forklifts, utility trailers that all have tires.

Since, Covid, Tires have gotten extremely expensive especially for large commercial tires. Each Truck to retire use to cost around 2,400\$.

We just had to Re-Tire another truck late last year and it was over 7,000\$ for the same tires.

My point is, We already pay multiple taxes on disposal fees, Cat taxes, Import taxes, and such JUST FOR THE TIRES.

another 4% tax may not seem like much on a passenger car, however on large trucks, especially long haul trucking companies in OREGON, some who have to get new tires yearly, THIS WILL be passed on to the consumer and your constituents directly, Making it even more expensive to live In this State. (cost of goods, cost of shipping)

Oregon Population is already on the decline due to high cost of living. This is not going to help whatsoever.

I urge you to OPPOSE this bill as written, Hold ODOT accountable for their budget, and stop taxing us over and over and over again for their mis management of funds.

I urge you to think about the fact that people will not forget bills like this come election time.

Thank you for your time, and have a great evening.

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