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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Emielle Nischik INTERIM DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER Haley Percell TO: Joint Committee on Transportation FROM: Adrienne Anderson, Government Relations Counsel DATE: March 6, 2025 RE: Hb 3362

Co-chairs Gorsek and McClain, and members of the committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on HB 3362. My name is Adrienne Anderson and I represent the Oregon School Boards association. We represent all 197 school districts in Oregon, 19 Education Service Districts, and community colleges. OSBA recognizes the importances of mitigating tire pollution in our wildlife areas and waterways. We also appreciate the -1 amendment that exempts motor vehicles over 26,000 pounds from the 4% tax on tires.

Our school districts have school buses that are 26,000 pounds or over, but many of our school districts have smaller buses and other vehicles, including type 10 and type 20 vehicles, to transport students. We do not yet know the impact a 4% tax would have on our districts that have buses and vehicles under 26,000 pounds, but any additional tax will have an impact on our districts and the transportation grant.

As we gather more information we hope this committee is mindful of the potential impact this tax could have on our schools.

Thank you, Adrienne Anderson Government Relations Counsel