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When I was in graduate school at Oregon State from 1965-1975, there was talk of a light rail system running from Portland to Eugene. After 50 years, I returned to the Willamette Valley and asked about that light rail system at a town hall meeting with my state politicians. The answer was quiet and obviously no one thought that this was going to happen in the next fifty years. We drive to Portland two or three times a month and my friends drive there at least once a week. I hate that drive because it is so crowded with traffic, cars and trucks.

And, often, people are killed on I-5!

All of us desperately need a mass transit system from Eugene to Portland. Please at last make this happen. There are so many reasons, prevention of agony, climate change, save lives, and it's time! In other words, I strongly support HB 3453.