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I'm a pissed-off taxpayer and I'm writing to tell you to shove House Bill 2530 where the sun don't shine. This school bus stop arm camera nonsense is a wasteful, overreaching mess that screws over rural folks like me while doing jack squat for safety. Vote NO and quit screwing with us.

First off, who's paying for this crap? Oregon school districts don't have cash to burn on fancy cameras and private contracts just to catch some jerk passing a bus. My tax dollars are already stretched thin—HB 3939's dumping millions on other cities, and now this? I don't want a dime of my money going to this high-tech babysitting when our roads and schools need real help. This bill's a money pit for rural districts that can't afford it and don't need it.

How many drivers are really blowing past stop arms out here? This feels like a city problem forced on us rural taxpayers who don't have the same issues. Why should I pay for cameras I'll never see, chasing violations that barely happen? It's bs—fix problems we actually have, not imaginary ones.

And finally, this is government sticking its nose where it doesn't belong. Bus drivers can already report violations under ORS 811.157—why the hell do we need cameras and cops playing Big Brother? Adding layers of citations, rebuttals, and recordings just clogs up the system with red tape. If someone's dumb enough to pass a bus, nail 'em the old-fashioned way—don't turn our buses into surveillance rigs.

HB 2530 is a steaming pile of overkill. It's expensive, useless, and a total overreach. Vote NO and stop wasting my money on this garbage. Focus on real needs, not this camera fetish.