

To the Chairs and Members of the Committee,

I support the increased transit funding and the STIF program in HB 2025. The funding in this package will help prevent significant cuts to public transit service across Oregon.

I ride the FX2 down Division almost every day. It is the most reliable bus system I've ever used. I want to keep it that way. I don't have a vehicle of my own and I'm relying on you to make sure that public transit stays strong.

Without Portland's robust public transit system, I wouldn't be able to get to work, volunteer, or even get groceries. There are so many of us that need this essential service. I see people of all kinds on the bus, often elderly or parents with their kids. But also tons of service workers like me who keep the city running.

While the funding proposed in this package is not enough to provide the additional transit service I would like to see, it will prevent Oregonians like me from being stranded without the transportation access I depend on. Please support HB 2025.

We're counting on you. Thank you for your time and your service.

-Calby Mulligan
Portland resident