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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Dear Co-Chairs McLain and Gorsek and Members of the Committee,

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

I rely on transit everyday to get to everywhere that I go. I've never owned a vehicle. I enjoy commuting via bicycle, ride share, and bus to save on costs and to reduce my environmental impact. Reducing or eliminating transit services would force me to leave Portland for another city with better transportation options, as this would cripple my ability to get to where I need to go.

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.

Regards,
Transit Passenger