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My name is Loren Miller from Aurora, Oregon. I'm strongly opposed to HB 2025. Raising gas taxes, registration fees, and licensing costs in the middle of a cost-of-living crisis is unacceptable. This bill punishes working families just trying to get by. I am retired and no longer commute so I drive limited miles but I still reserve the right to own multiple vehicles. I have just renewed registration on two cars this year at \$196 each. Eight years ago it was \$86. That is extreme inflation and you are considering an even higher increase in one fell swoop.

We currently pay 40 cents per gallon on gasoline. You need more revenue? Stop subsidizing electric vehicles and put road usage taxes on them. Electric should be paying the same per mile as gas vehicles. Government spending and waste are out of control. Democrats in DC are screaming at Trump for driving up the cost of living while Democrats in Oregon are doing the same thing. If it is bad at the Federal level, it is also bad at the State level.

Wake up and smell the roses. Stop this bill NOW!