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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

I am writing in opposition to HB 2025. Oregon is already one of the highest taxed states. Now you are proposing to raise gas prices by 37,5%; Registration fees on our vehicles by 270%; new taxes on every vehicle purchased. Oregon is already not a tax-friendly state. We have already lost large corporations that help our state. Where do you suppose the money for these new taxes comes from? We cannot afford any new or higher taxes. If ODOT is low on finances or if the BLM is low, they need to adjust their budgets. That is what we do when we have a shortfall. You are helping Oregon citizens to decide to leave the state because of ever increasing taxes.