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I am opposed to this increase in all things transportation. The increases in gas tax, new tax on vehicle sales, increased privilege tax and the payroll tax is an undue burden on Oregonians. I am not convinced that ODOT does not have sufficient funds to function efficiently. What they cannot continue doing, is taking on programs that have nothing to do with repairing and upgrading our highway system. There needs to be an in-depth reorganization where the core mission of the Department is reestablished and implemented.

Today, Oregon families are struggling to find the funds to feed and cloth their families and find adequate housing. This, all things transportation, will definitely have an adverse effect.