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On Behalf Of: Senior citizens

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

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I urgently request that the proposed tax increase on gas be stopped. Oregon ranks as number 10 in gas tax and this is before any new tax is included. Oregon can become number 1 with the tax increase proposed. A gas tax increase not only impacts on individuals that need their vehicles to live their lives, it also increases the costs

of all our purchases. Delivery trucks use gas to bring goods to our stores and an increase in gas prices will result in increased costs for all items we need to live our lives.

Increasing gas prices comes along with increases in bottle fees, registration fees, transfer title fees, tire costs, ever increasing energy costs such as electricity and natural gas.

My wife and I are in our 70s. We survive on social security and a small navy pension. Every dollar we pay in increased taxes comes out of our ability to live our last few years.

Please do not raise taxes on gas. Garry and Pam Smith, Stayton.