Submitter: Richard Hunter

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Oregon State Legislature

900 Court St NE, H-273 Salem OR 97301

Dear Representative Sanchez,

My name is Richard, and I live in NE Portland. I am a regular rider of TriMet, and I rely on public transportation for my daily commute and essential trips.

I am deeply concerned about the proposed funding for transit in the current transportation package. Without additional state support, public transportation providers across Oregon will be forced to make painful service reductions, impacting riders like myself who depend on reliable transit options. These cuts would mean fewer buses, longer waits, and increased difficulty accessing work, school, and medical care.

I urge you to support increasing the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) to 0.3% by 2028 to prevent service reductions and ensure that transit remains accessible to all Oregonians. I am willing to contribute my share—an additional two cents for every \$10 I earn—to help improve transit service in our state.

Public transportation is a lifeline for many, and investing in it is investing in Oregon's future. Please advocate for a stronger transit funding commitment to keep our communities moving.

Thank you for your time and leadership. I appreciate your consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Hunter Sr. Portland, Oregon