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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

All of my neighbors and friends support an electric ferry pilot for Portland. This is a super economical way to reduce commuting greenhouse gas emissions and reduce SOV's off of I-5, while allowing residents without their own boats to enjoy and help protect our navigable rivers, provide resilience to PBEM in an inevitable subduction quake, provide a huge boost to downtown through a pleasant commute. Please, please, please vote yes and support Frog Ferry through HB 2025.!

the "Bridgetonians" in our world, and north Portland residents that I interact with, support the idea of a ferry system in Portland. Please vote yes and support HB 2025.

HB 2025 is a "must-fund" project this year and in our future.

- The Frog Ferry Project will lead the City of Portland to secure funding, planning, and operating an electric ferry service to serve the environmental justice communities of the North Peninsula, tourists, and all Oregonians.
- Frog Ferry clearly would reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GGEs) and given the very visible nature of a new transit mode, would help evolve resident perceptions about their transit decisions.
- A ferry service in Portland can be implemented quickly, with a service on the water within three years due to the existing dock infrastructure, demand, and need to revitalize Portland's downtown waterfront.
- The ferry industry is expanding globally (King Co Ferries are up 200% y/o/y) through the advancement of ferry technology, the need for resilience "tools" for a catastrophic event (Frog Ferry is in Metro's Comprehensive Economic Development Plan for Emergency Response), increased traffic congestion despite a work-from-home culture, and to foster community vitality.

Thanks for all you do!

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