Submitter: David Klaus

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Dear Committee Members:

I am writing you today to voice my opposition to this bill that will burden hardworking Oregonians already paying high taxes, even more. Our state is already has one of the highest fuel and user taxes in the country. As an individual who commutes 200 plus miles per week for work, the added fuel tax will mean I bring home even less pay. Meanwhile, I drive on roads that increase the wear and tear on my car because they are so poorly maintained. Additionally, permanently indexing the gas tax to inflation just adds insult to injury when wages are not keeping pace. Oregon doesn't need more tax money to fix and maintain its roads, it needs real fiscal responsibility in Salem.

Sincerely,

David Klaus Newberg