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I am dependent on public transit as my primary form of transportation. While I am satisfied with the quality of my time spent using services, the AMOUNT of time spent commuting to work or school has taken large chunks of my adult life.

I love our transit systems for their low cost, environmental impact, and ability to relax while traveling. Every increase to routes and service frequency, however is adding time into the lives of thousands of working Oregonians. That's time spent with loved ones, patronizing small businesses, and otherwise enjoying the life Oregonians work so hard for.

The trade-off is money for countless hours of human life. I would urge legislators keep this in mind when considering the importance of transit funding.