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It is time the legislature think about the people they represent. Not just themselves and not the wealthy who get them into office. Think about the every day Oregonians.

This is a bad bill. It hurts everyday people who are struggling to keep up as it is.

Its not just a road tax or a gas tax, its also our DMV fees. Which you have so successfully hidden. Written exams and drive tests will increase almost \$100. Title and Registration will increase almost as much. I know a lot of people will think about their own pocket book and justify that they only title or register a car every couple of years. But for many Oregonians who are trying to improve their situation, or have single parent households will struggle to get a car, title it and register it. Just think about what this will do. People will drive regardless of legality. We see that every day, so why make it worse.

This is a bad bill. There is nothing good about it. There is no shame in shutting down this bill. Take the time needed to actually look at what Oregon needs, the basics. Let ODOT take a year to prove to us they can work within their budget and actually fix some of the very basic needs we have. If a special session is needed, then so be it. If they have to wait until next year, then so be it. But we can not afford what you are trying to push through. There has to be a better answer.