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On Behalf Of: NATA
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Dear Members of the Joint Committee on Transportation Reinvestment and
Legislative Leadership,

I am writing on behalf of a small, independent automotive business in Oregon. I am deeply concerned about the proposed dismantler certification fee increase outlined in House Bill 2025, specifically in Section 70, which would raise the fee from \$500 per year to \$2,492 for a two-year certification.

This dramatic increase is unreasonable, unsustainable, and puts a disproportionate financial burden on small dismantling operations like ours. A nearly fivefold increase in fees is not only excessive, but also risks driving legitimate businesses out of the industry, harming employment and reducing the availability of affordable recycled auto parts in our communities.

At a time when small businesses are already grappling with inflation, workforce shortages, and supply chain challenges, this fee hike feels punitive and counterproductive.

Please reconsider this drastic increase. We urge you to:

Maintain the current annual dismantler fee of \$500, or

Introduce a modest, phased-in increase if absolutely necessary, in consultation with impacted stakeholders.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We respectfully request that the fee increase be removed from HB 2025. Please stand with small Oregon businesses that are the backbone of the automotive repair and recycling industry.

Sincerely,
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