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I love that this bill provides the funds necessary to maintain the public transit we have. I want to emphasize how public transit makes my life better. Before moving to Oregon, I had to travel to Eugene from out of state to go to a residential eating disorder treatment program. It is really scary to be in a brand new place. Even scarier without a car. Fortunately, as part of the apartment program, we were given a bus pass. In addition to taking me to the medical treatment I needed every day, it connected me to community events which allowed me to start building a life for myself. Something my eating disorder had robbed me of. Public transit was an important part of my decision to move to Oregon. I live next to a TriMet station; it consistently makes my life better and more affordable. Every Oregonian should have access to public transit.