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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

To the Honorable Members of the Oregon State Legislature,

Subject: Opposition to House Bill 2025

Dear Esteemed Legislators,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to House Bill 2025, the proposed "transportation package," which includes over 35 new taxes and fees that would impose a significant financial burden on Oregon families and businesses. As a concerned citizen, I believe this legislation, while potentially well-intentioned, fails to adequately consider the economic challenges already facing Oregonians.

Public testimony, as reflected in the Oregon Legislative Information System (OLIS), indicates widespread opposition to HB 2025, with hundreds of Oregonians voicing concerns about its affordability and lack of transparency. The bill is estimated to cost the average Oregon family over \$1,000 in additional taxes and fees, impacting everything from gas prices to car sales and personal income. At a time when many households are struggling with rising costs of living, this additional financial strain is unsustainable and inequitable.

Furthermore, the process by which HB 2025 was developed has raised concerns about transparency and public engagement. The bill's introduction, described by some as secretive, undermines the trust of Oregonians who deserve a voice in decisions that directly affect their livelihoods. I urge the Legislature to prioritize policies that support economic relief and equitable growth rather than adding to the financial burdens of working families.

I respectfully request that you vote against House Bill 2025 and instead explore alternative solutions to address Oregon's transportation needs without resorting to excessive taxation. Thank you for considering my perspective and for your dedication to serving the people of Oregon.

Sincerely, Luis Marron Milwaukie, Oregon