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As a low-income Oregonian, and a registered Democrat, it is beyond embarrassing that Oregon Democrats are pushing this regressive transportation package that will harm economically disadvantaged residents. Low-income and rural residents who have to travel for work will be disproportionately impacted by a higher gas tax, potential tolls, higher registration and title fees, and other usage-based charges for our roads and freeways. This is lazy and harmful legislating that epitomizes the Democratic party's disconnect from the working class, especially in this state. ODOT needs to get back to the bread and butter of basic maintenance - major pet projects should be funded by the rich, not by scraping even more income away from those who can afford it the least. Working Oregonians beg you, reject this awful package.