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On Behalf Of: We subsidize 82 percent of transit costs
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So many people testified as to the need for good public transit. However, it needs to come with fiscal accountability.

About 82% of Portland metro transit fares are SUBSIDIZED by Oregon taxpayers; riders pay roughly 18% of the actual cost (2020 numbers). We subsidize a typical \$2.80 ticket with \$15.55 out of our pockets to pay the loaded cost of \$18.36.

Perhaps we should be shifting more of the transit burden cost to transit riders!

Lightly loaded busses and MAX trains only make the subsidies higher.

I oppose HB2025

source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Farebox_recovery_ratio