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On Behalf Of: Mr Oregon OPPOSES SCR 34

Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SCR34

I OPPOSE [SCR 34].

Eliminate 'All' mandatory Project Labor Agreements (PLA) for State construction projects.

PLAs can add approximately twenty percent (20%) to State Construction Projects.

*** Governor Kotek is allegedly 'buying Union votes' via mandatory PLAs on all State construction projects.

Union work creates top-flight work products, economic development, tax revenues and above all else, Oregon should be damned proud of the Trades.

*** However, PLAs disagreements can 'overlap' costing the acquisition to funding arising from related interest rate increases produce significant barriers to access funding thereby affecting either delay or stoppage of a particular state construction project.

*** On another matter of concern...

The Newberg-Dundee Bypass should have been well funded and underway but the congenital screwballs in the Legislature screwed all funding for the Oregon Department of Transportation's (ODOT) construction projects.

Funding poorly ridership on 'Trains to No-where' instead of the 'Newberg-Dundee Bypass' means a tremendous loss of tax revenue to the state from economic development and affordable housing projects from Portland to the Beach communities.

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Mr. Oregon Concurs and says, " Oh well, at least precious, irreplaceable farmlands will be spared."