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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Letter to the Joint Committee on Transportation

Subject: Please Vote NO on HB 2025 Amendment – Oregonians on Tight Budgets Can't Afford This

To the Joint Committee on Transportation,

My name is Calvin Casey, and I live in Grants Pass, Oregon. I'm writing to urge you to vote NO on the proposed amendment to HB 2025, which would raise taxes and fees by \$11.7 billion. For working Oregonians and fixed-income residents like myself, this proposal would be devastating.

As a severely disabled veteran, I live on a very limited income. Every dollar matters. With the rising cost of gas, food, housing, and utilities, there's simply no room left in the budget for:

- An additional 12 cents per gallon at the pump
- Hundreds or even thousands more to buy a vehicle
- Increased payroll taxes hitting every paycheck

This isn't theoretical—this hits real people. This hits me. It means having to choose between gas in the tank or food on the table. And we've seen no real accountability from ODOT about how current funds are being spent.

Before asking us to pay more, fix what's broken first. We deserve transparency, efficiency, and fairness—not another tax increase on the backs of those already struggling.

Please vote NO on this amendment. We are not walking wallets. We are your constituents—veterans, families, workers—and we are asking you to stand with us.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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