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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025  
Urgent Call for Responsible Spending and Opposition to HB 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Michael Madlener, and I am a deeply concerned Oregon resident who is passionate about the future of our great state. I am writing to express my strong opposition to House Bill 2025 and to urge our lawmakers to adopt a more responsible, bipartisan approach to spending.

While I recognize the critical need for investment in transportation infrastructure, I am alarmed by the potential for HB 2025 to place an unfair financial burden on Oregonians who are already struggling. This is especially true for younger residents and those with lower and middle incomes. The rising cost of living, together with increasing taxes, threatens to push many of us out of the state we love. As someone hoping to retire in Oregon, I am particularly worried about these trends.

Oregon is at a crossroads. If we do not act now to control spending and seek equitable, sustainable funding solutions, we risk losing not only our economic vitality but also the vibrant, diverse communities that make Oregon special. I urge you to consider the long-term implications of this bill and to prioritize common-sense, bipartisan solutions that protect all Oregonians.

Let's work together to ensure that Oregon remains a place where people of all ages and incomes can thrive, not just survive. Please reconsider the potential negative consequences of HB 2025 and take bold, responsible action on behalf of our state's future.

Sincerely,

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