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Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

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This bill is truly outrageous. It has too much in it, it negatively impacts all Oregonians, especially by the penalizing impacts of individual transportation related taxes. Please remember the words of our more sober-minded forbears (that means our historic LEADERS): The power to tax is the power to destroy. And that's what 2025, in its entirety, will do, Individuals, households, businesses, NGOs -- all will be hurt by this bill and its amendments, You've got a club in your hands and you seem intent on beating the life out of every person and organization in the state. Let them thrive. Let them keep their earnings. Grow the state's economy that way!

Remove the outrageous burdens you will be imposing. All your wants in this bill are not NEEDS. Pare down the bill to what's truly needed, so you don't have to impose such weighty taxes so soon -- and for so long. Democrats and Republicans should be ashamed for what you have here. Work for the people. Don't make them slaves to your unrealistic policies and objectives. You have truly gone too far with what you'll do to Oregon citizens with this out of balance and truly oppressive legislation.