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Description of the measure is to direct the Audits Division to conduct performance audits? What a misleading introduction to a measure which increases taxes to an exorbitant degree! The Audits Division has statute authority to audit all state agencies and does not need any direction from the legislature. This measure simply increases taxes. Increasing the gas tax alone applies unequally to drivers of traditional automobiles; those who choose electric vehicles are exempt from road maintenance as are those from other states who use Oregon roadways. Additionally, the increases in other fees related to transportation apply to drivers in counties which would have little benefit from the revenue collected.