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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

I am adamantly opposed to this bill, Oregonians are already over-taxed with grossly in appropriate and ever increasing Property taxes.

In addition, HB 2025:

- 1) Provides an excessive tax burden on Oregonians: This bill could cost Oregon households an average of \$1,140 annually by 2034 & places an undue financial strain on residents already facing a cost-of-living crisis, with only 3% of voters prioritizing road funding.
- 2) Was developed with a lack of public input, in a secretive committee process, which limiting public engagement and feedback. This lack of transparency undermines democratic principles and risks voter backlash.
- 3) Disproportionately impacts businesses and consumers: The proposed tax package, including a 20-cent gas tax increase and higher payroll taxes, could raise costs for businesses, leading to higher prices for goods and services. Critics highlight that increased fuel delivery costs could drive up gas prices by up to 40 cents per gallon, further impacting everyday Oregonians and will driving businesses out of the state. (Dutch Bros anyone?)