

Submitter:

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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

To whom it may concern,

I am requesting that this bill be completely opposed. Oregon is increasingly becoming more and more expensive with little return on those tax increases for the majority of the public. Groceries, gas, housing, and utilities are already SO so high and we are struggling to live here. Our government keeps pushing through these huge increases in taxes without regulating or providing alternative sources of supply.

Our school districts 1. Have lost their purpose, 2. We are ranked 45th among the states for our education, 3. Certain resent legislation in Oregon has pulled funding opportunities from our schools and it's not being replaced.

Pacific Power has increases its prices 25% since Covid and as far as our area goes there is NOT an alternative source of power. Most families cannot afford solar and to be honest when you do the math for install, it's not saving families money.

For gas prices we are ranked the fifth highest in the whole country! It's ridiculous.

Our ranking for housing is again among the top 5 most expensive places to live!

I have not seen our sitting government do anything to decrease any of these expenses, rather they continually make the shortsighted decisions that have brought us to the economy that we presently have. It is irresponsible on the part of our government to continue to do this to the people of this state. I am asking that you would take the time to actually look at your impact and to oppose this bill in its entirety.