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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

To: Joint Committee on Transportation Reinvestment,

Throughout the 2025 long session of Oregon's Legislature, I've watched many hours of hearing and testimony. The one thing that I have noticed is not one bill presented this session that is supported by Democrats has failed to make it through the supermajority of either chamber. Conversely, not one bill that has been opposed by the people that have elected our representatives, on a scale of 2 to 1 with HB 2025, but supported by Democrats has failed. In other words, you are not listening to the people. You are not considering the opinions of your fellow Republicans. You have not made an effort to work across the aisle and gain support of the opposition nor listened to and changed votes as a result. Let's be very clear about one more thing: Oregonians are OVERTAXED, regardless of party or income. We don't need more of the burden the legislature is putting on our shoulders to carry out unfavorable, unwanted, and unwelcomed laws that increase the tax burden on any Oregonian.

Please, listen to the constituents. Listen to the opposition. Listen to the reality that the way laws are currently being passed is unfair. If you're a Democrat, you're happy at watching all these things steamrolling over the Republican opposition. If you're a Republican, your voice that is claimed to be so very important to the legislature falls on deaf ears. If you're an Oregonian, you're paying more taxes. No matter how you slice it, we lose. Do not vote this forward. Let it die this session and work on it next time. Spend more time on this option and really consider alternatives to taxes. If this were put to the voters, it would fail. History proves that. We don't want or need more taxes. Those voters are the same people being ignored by a factor of 2 to 1. Vote No. If not No, let it die in committee.

Thank you.
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