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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3402

I am in opposition to HB3402. This gives the governor authority to appoint a director over ODOT.

This individual will be an appointment by the Governor with confirmation in the Senate. We do not need the governor to appoint this position. More king like behavior.

It will increase the gas tax from .34 cents to .43 cents. Oregonians can not afford this.

It will raise vehicle registration from \$43.00 to \$64.00 with no benefit for the increased cost to the taxpayers.

It will raise vehicle title fess from \$77.00 to \$168.00 with no benefit to the tax payer. Yet another attack on personal vehicle ownership.

All revenue collected from the gas tax will go to ODOT. ODOT needs serious auditing and layoffs. Focus on projects that actually need to be done such as road maintenance not grandiose fluff projects that benefit no one.

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