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DATE: June 27, 2025
TO: House Committee on Rules
FROM: Commissioner Heather Buch, Lane County Board of Commissioners,
District 5
RE: HB 3402, Relating to transportation

Dear Chair Bowman, Vice-Chairs Drazan and Boshart Davis, and Members of the Committee:

I write in opposition to HB 3402 and subsequent amendments that result in lost revenue and funding for county transportation programs.

Oregon's counties are responsible for the largest share of Oregon's road system and this system is in on the brink of crisis. To ensure our communities have reliable access to stable, safe, and efficient infrastructure, counties must not be left behind this legislative session.

Over the past 5 years, the cost to maintain our aging transportation system have continued to rise steadily, reducing our capacity to maintain and preserve roadways and make critical safety investments. Unmet needs generate a snowball effect in costs and subsequently, roadway failures – which is why we need to act now. The State Highway Fund is essential to ODOT, and to our counties and cities – and all of our costs are increasing. The legislature must pass a bill that stabilizes long-term funding for counties, as well as the state.

ELECTRONICALLY SUBMITTED BY VANESSA CORNWALL, LANE COUNTY
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