

Submitter: Samuel Kallen

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On
Capital Construction

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1601

My name is Sam Kallen and I am a resident of Multnomah County. I oppose the proposed legislation in SB 1601 with -3 amendment because it cuts funding to long-planned and already environmental-approved projects that we need to increase our rail capacity. As I understand it, these dollars are being rerouted to the highway fund, which does not support long-term transit growth and increases our overall climate emissions.

When we need to decide between public transit (Rails) and private transit (cars + highways), we must choose to invest public money in public transit.

Thank you,
Sam