June 7, 2017

To Whom It May Concern.

RE: Proposed HB 2017 Testimony.

THE PROPOSED BILL IS VERY COMPLICATED AND WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT TO IMPLEMENT AND REGULATE. I BELIEVE THIS IS A REGRESSIVE TAX AND PROPOSAL. I BELIEVE MORE EQUITABLE FEES AND TAXES WILL REWARD THE CONSCIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE USERS AND AND **NOT** REWARD THE LESS CONSCIENCE USERS.

If new revenues are needed then I would like to see:

- 1. A PERCENTAGE SALES TAX/ FEE based on the purchase price of **all** vehicles for new and/or used vehicles. Fees will naturally be prorated by the budget of the purchaser.
- TITLE FEES AND LICENSING TO BE THE SAME FOR ALL VEHICLES. Don't penalize those with fuel
 efficient vehicles that generally are less damaging to roads. Don't give the most damaging
 vehicles a fee break.
- 3. A PERCENTAGE SALES TAX/FEE ON ALL BICYCLES. The \$500 value will miss most the bicycle sales. Large box stores which sell very inexpensive equipment will not be affected by this bill yet they sell the most equipment. Again fees will naturally be prorated by the budget of the purchaser. Please be equitable for the good of small business.
- 4. TRANSIT FARE REVENUE SHOULD *NOT* BE LIMITED TO JUST BUS INFRASTRUCTURE but all forms of public transit. Buses are part of the congestion and heavy use of the road system. Light rail systems help to solve congestion and infrastructure damage issues.
- 5. PROMOTE AND FUND SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS so that children can *safely* walk to school rather parents driving their students to school because the walk is very hazardous. Children will be healthier and safer during of their commute to school.

Sincerely,

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