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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation

Measure: SB16

Co-Chair Gorsek and McLain, Co-Vice-Chair Boquist and Boshart Davis, and members of the Committee.

I am writing to express my strong support for SB16, which requires the Department of Transportation to study funding options to support transportation by rail.

I understand the importance of efficient transportation systems for the growth and development of our local economy. Our district has seen a surge in population and economic activities in recent years, and it is vital that we have a modern and sustainable transportation system that can support this growth.

Transportation by rail has been proven to be an effective and efficient mode of transportation, and I believe that exploring funding options to support it is a step in the right direction. With the Department of Transportation's study, we will have a better understanding of the costs and benefits of transportation by rail, and the possible funding mechanisms to support it.

I urge you to vote in favor of SB16, and support the study of funding options for transportation by rail. This is an important step towards building a sustainable and modern transportation system that can serve the needs of our district and the state as a whole.