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Strongly oppose. Not only is there not currently enough renewable diesel available to meet Oregon's fuel demands today, there is no indication or policy that will improve this in the near term. Production of renewable diesel is seriously limited, and to date Oregon DEQ has denied permitting a facility in our state.

Inflation has disproportionately impacted those families with the lowest incomes, an increase in cost of transportation affects everything we need in our daily lives. One major impact is on housing and construction costs that require diesel to haul the logs, finished lumber, and multitude of building materials that go into our homes. This bill makes solving the housing crisis in Oregon even more expensive.

Trucking is already hurting as many smaller trucking companies have had to exit the California transport business due to those regulations, now Oregon could put a other roadblocks in the way of transportation in our state. This is a terrible idea and a proposal that should be abandoned immediately.

This should be a solid NO.