

Submitter: ATIF AZIZ

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation

Measure: HB2098

I support replacing this bridge, but oppose HB 2098 -2 because this legislation as currently written jeopardizes a right-sized Bridge Replacement, right now. I support the forthcoming -3 Amendment (and the policy recommendations offered by the Just Crossing Alliance) that ensures this replacement bridge project moves forward smoothly with explicit pro-labor provisions, finance guardrails, and major investments in mass transit.

This freeway expansion means more cars, more traffic and more air pollution in North and Northeast Portland. This is not the action we should be taking in the face of a climate change crisis that threatens billions of people around the world.