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On Behalf Of:
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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 -3 Amendment (and the policy recommendations offered by the Just Crossing Alliance) that ensures this replacement bridge project moves forward smoothly with a right-sized design, explicit pro-labor provisions, financial guardrails, and major investments in mass transit.

We need to act in accordance with the basic principles of induced demand, and not spend billions of dollars to learn that adding lanes to freeways only leads to more traffic jams.

I highly respect the analysis and policy positions of No More Freeways and urge you to take advantage of their research and knowledge as you work on a plan for a "right-sized" bridge in line with our values and practical needs.

Thank you.