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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation

Measure: HB2098

I live in North Portland with small children, and am thus incredibly invested in this project.

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.

In particular, please prioritize mass transit to reduce pollution in my neighborhood and increase safe, convenient access for non-car travel. Freeway expansions aren't the only way to improve the transportation health our of our communities and funds can be spent in better ways to improve the livability and safety of our region.

Thank you for your consideration.

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