

I am writing to express my strong support for the reduction of the weight mileage tax in Oregon, a matter of significant concern for small trucking companies like ours.

As a representative of Truck Source Express, a small family trucking business based in the Portland metro area, we have experienced the immense financial burden imposed by the current weight mileage tax structure in Oregon. This tax has placed a disproportionately heavy burden on our operations, making it significantly more challenging for us to conduct business within the state.

The current weight mileage tax system in Oregon often results in our company paying 2 to 6 times more in taxes compared to the total taxes paid in all other states under the International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) quarterly. This disproportionate tax burden hampers our ability to compete on a level playing field with businesses operating in neighboring states.

The financial strain from the weight mileage tax has direct implications for our operational costs, profitability, and, ultimately, the viability of our business in Oregon. It creates an environment where small trucking companies face a considerable disadvantage compared to larger corporations with more substantial resources.

Reducing the weight mileage tax in Oregon would not only alleviate the financial stress on small businesses like ours but also contribute to fostering a more competitive and equitable business environment within the state. This, in turn, can lead to increased economic activity, job retention, and business growth.

I urge you to consider the impact of the weight mileage tax on trucking companies and support measures to reduce this burden. Your advocacy for a fair and balanced tax structure will not only benefit businesses like ours but also contribute to the overall economic prosperity of the state.

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