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Good afternoon, lawmakers. I'm an Oregon voter, and I'm done with the money grab. You're proposing a gas tax hike to 46 cents a gallon, EV road charges for 2027 and 2028, higher title and registration fees, and a payroll tax jump to 0.3%. Meanwhile, PGE is jacking up electric bills-5.5% more in 2025, after a 47% spike since 2021. Insurance rates? Skyrocketing too, with home and auto premiums up double digits. Our roads are crumbling, schools are underfunded, and yet we're bleeding cash on waste-\$10 million for a Portland market, \$2 million for a museum already flush with funds. Over 131,000 people fled Oregon in 2023, outpacing new residents, because we're taxed and billed to death. Stop the waste, hold utilities and insurers accountable, and vote no on these increases. Thank you.