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I am writing today to testify in opposition to Oregon's governors proposed increase in taxes.

NO politician in Oregon has an unfettered right to increase fees and taxes at will. Oregon's constitution outlines a process involving legislature and it's citizens in the that process. And while Kotek may believe her actions are within parameters of Oregon's constitution (and therefore legal), her actions are in direct defiance of the will of citizens she was elected to represent.

Every educated Oregonian understands ODOT's budget situation. AND we are knowledgeable enough to recognize ODOT has been poorly managed with significant mis-appropriations. So now our governor is telling taxpayers we should bear the brunt of cost to keep this dept afloat? I think not. Oregonians are a hard working people. We deserve better leadership and guidance. This should absolutely not go forward.