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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation

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Dear Transportation Committee members: I am writing to express my concern and opposition to the increased transportation taxes proposed by governor Kotek. We Oregonians are still struggling to make ends meet as it is with the inflation we have experienced over the past several years, and now increased costs due to tariffs. some companies within our state are laying people off making it even more difficult for them. These increased taxes will not only affect individuals but will also affect businesses making everything more expensive. Instead of adding taxes, the governor and the committee need to take a good look at why the DOT is experiencing such a shortfall and make it more accountable for how the money is spent. Government agencies need to plan their budgets based on the revenue they have instead of expecting more from the legislature every cycle.

Thank you for considering my testimony.