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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation

Funding

Measure, Appointment or

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Topic:

Hi, I live in a Portland suburb and am concerned about the transportation tax bill. It's rather embarrassing that Trimet is losing nearly \$1 billion annually based on last year data and is completely funded by taxpayers. You really need to make tough budgeting decisions to cut costs and belt tighten just like all of us in business and our families. You need to carefully and effectively use the increases in payroll taxes from annually increasing wages not by doubling the payroll tax.... Please do what's right for constituents, not just what is easy or the unions or other activists push for.