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Dear Governor and Legislature:

AFFORDABILITY!

We are pinching pennies- why should not the State of Oregon not do any less?

Daily we our family looks for ways to save.

Drive to lowest price gas station in our area to save a few pennies.

Shop sales at grocery stores and buy items on-sale, closeout, or mark down.

Buy clothes and household goods at 2nd hand, thrift, garage sales and online-
negotiating down the prices to keep money in our our pocket.

Compare insurance rates for auto and homeowners, carrying a high deductible and
switching companies to save.

Driving cars one 215,000 miles, the other 140,000 miles.

We check our spending to find places to save- to pay for high property taxes, medical
bill, college tuition!

Now we facing a gas tax, car registration tax and payroll taxes!

What is the rush?

A fuel tax is tax on the poorest and most vulnerable people who drive older less-fuel
efficient cars. Low income people are not buying expensive EV's or hybrids, instead
we drive older cars which we can afford to fix.

Please consider ways to cut expenses for average person and drive down the cost of
living- a increase in fuel tax targets the poorest people and destroys

AFFORDABILITY.

Thanks.

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