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Transportation Committee: I am asking you to reject Governor Kotek's transportation proposal. We have been enundated with so many taxes that we cannot afford another. How much ODOT budget money is being spent on cleaning up the homeless camps? The governor should not be taking from ODOT or other departments to cleanup after the homeless. We've always had homeless camps, they used to be called Hobo Camps, and they didn't get overwhelmingly huge because the government wasn't giving out freebies to them. There was no incentive to stay homeless! The governor should be concerned with regular road maintenance & repair within the current spending budget rather than trying to add more taxes to pay for what should be included in the regular budget. And the rest of Oregon should not be footing the bill for new roads, bridges, etc for Portland. We do not even get the roads fixed in rural Oregon. The ODOT Administration has waited so long to schedule regular maintenance such as chip seal that the road bases are literally disintegrating and the road base needs repaired rather than just a new surface coat. We should not be rewarding ODOT for mismanagement of their budget. Although I do agree the Electric vehicles should be paying some kind of road fees if the only way ODOT gets their funding is through the fuel tax.