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Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation

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Dear Governor Kotec,

I am writing to express strong opposition to the Transportation Bill and increased taxes and fees you are proposing. We, the people, cannot be expected to pay for the shortfalls of ODOT through all proposed taxes and doubling of fees. There are so many of us on fixed incomes. And worker's salaries do not support such an outrageous escalation in taxes and fees. So many of our coastal have seen a huge financial decline. These taxes would hurt our local economies and stifle any type of economic growth.

I exhort you to reconsider and seriously consider all the diverse areas that make up Oregon. The majority of the state is not the huge cities but rural areas that are struggling to survive. These taxes will be devastating to all Oregonians and almost impossible to recover from if this bill is enacted.

Please, don't destroy the peoples of Oregon and our towns with these proposals. Our state cannot support this kind of taxation! People just cannot afford any of what you've proposed. Help keep our towns viable and productive without outrageous taxes!

Respectfully,

Marylou Kuehn