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On Behalf Of: No New Taxes We are over burdened already
Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation
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I am writing to strongly oppose the transportation funding proposal being considered during the upcoming special session. The proposed increases in gas taxes, vehicle registration fees, and title fees will disproportionately burden Oregon families and small businesses, especially at a time when our state already faces some of the highest fuel costs in the nation.

Holding this session over Labor Day weekend limits public engagement and undermines transparency. Furthermore, the lack of bipartisan collaboration and the absence of clear fiscal accountability from the Oregon Department of Transportation are deeply concerning.

I urge you to reject this rushed and inequitable proposal and instead consider alternative funding solutions, such as utilizing emergency reserves, that do not punish Oregonians at the pump.

"There is no such thing as public money; there is only taxpayers' money." —
Margaret Thatcher

A clear reminder that government spending is funded by the people.

Respectfully,

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