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As a native Oregonian (60+ years), I am appalled at the Governor's plan to drastically increase our taxes to provide additional revenue, under the guise of needing the funds for ODOT. As a small business owner, my company cannot continue to do business in such an unfriendly state. I moved my company headquarters out of Portland due to the taxation and lack of responsiveness by city leadership - and I will be faced to do the same at the State level if this is passed.

Oregon is already in the bottom of the country in terms of unfriendly circumstances to start and sustain a business, and this will only set us back further.

The Governor does not appreciate the fact that our government works for US, the citizens of Oregon. The lack of understanding what citizens and businesses endure is shocking.

The only 'leverage' I have currently is to voice my opposition and to use my vote. I intend to use both to the best of my ability looking forward. Please, for the sake of the State, do not pass the funding for ODOT as outlined.

Thank you.