

Dear Governor Kopek,

I am strongly opposed to the proposed funding for public transportation. Especially in rural areas of Oregon, there is no way to make use of public transportation on a consistent basis. This measure requires rural citizens to fund a project that is a benefit to citizens of urban areas.

I also see this measure as a means to pressure more Oregonians into using public transportation by making it too expensive to own and operate a motor vehicle.

And what about those small business owners who MUST use a vehicle, often one that gets inferior gas mileage (work trucks, transports, etc) to carry out their day to day business?

What about parents and families who must transport children to various activities or appointments?

What about the physically or mentally/emotionally challenged for whom public transportation would be at the very least inconvenient, and at worst impossible?

The idea that the Governor should have power to appoint the ODOT director is an overreach at best.

I am strongly opposed to this type of governmental overreach that is an obvious tactic to pressure citizens to adopt the ideals of a partisan agenda.

I urge all representatives and senators in State government to oppose this measure.

Sincerely and with due respect,

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