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On Behalf Of:	all Oregonians
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My husband and I are residents of Salem], we are not onbly deeply concerned but frightened about the transportation tax bill. We are retired and on a fixed income and we are stretched to the breaking point by all the fees, increased household expenses, and taxes both hidden and open. the state of Oregon is making it unaffordable to live here. You might say we could move but we have lived here to remember that Oregon was not just affordable but beautiful and community oriented. You are wanting to make life EXTREMELY difficult for lower income Oregonians. Why? ODOT has had a history of not being very accountable for their spending. Why not start there? At least if an honest accountabilty was done you might get more support. Keeping wasteful programs and un-needed management and threatening to fire snowplowers is NOT the answer. You want to scare us and hold us hostage. Get your house in order.....no, get our public Oregon house in order. You want us to live financially responsible lives, well, we want our state govt to do the same. We do NOT have the income to waste. Refocus spending and prioritize keeping us safe on the road. Please....please consider alternatives that punish us and our fellow Oregonians.