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In general, I am in favor of the bill outlined by Rep Gomberg in his letter to constituents. I am in favor of having extra accountability over ODOT projects (The HWY 20 project had to remove seven brand-new bridges because of poor engineering, a tremendous waste). Also, we are an EV owner and I am concerned with the provision that requires drivers of electric vehicles and hybrids to enroll in the state's OReGo program, which charges drivers for miles driven. Paying for use of Oregon roads is expected, but we do not want to pay Oregon for miles driven outside of the state. This could be many miles for long vacations. Only Oregon miles. Also, whatever rate is charged should be very close to what drivers of comparable gas powered cars are paying. As we know, gas powered vehicles have widely varied miles per gallon, with trucks getting far worse mileage than small cars. Do not stick EVs with paying the higher rates per mile that trucks pay.