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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am submitting testimony in strong opposition to the Governor's proposed transportation tax increase.

I am a lifelong Democrat who has always supported the values of fairness, accountability, and responsible government. However, I am deeply frustrated with the continued mismanagement of Oregon taxpayer dollars by both the Governor's office and the state legislature. Time and again, Oregonians are asked to pay more, yet we see little evidence that these funds are being used efficiently or effectively to improve our state's infrastructure or services.

This transportation bill is yet another attempt to raise taxes without addressing the core issue: government mismanagement. Before any additional revenue is demanded from hardworking Oregonians, the state must first demonstrate real fiscal responsibility and transparency with the money it already collects.

The people of Oregon cannot and should not be expected to shoulder higher taxes simply because of poor leadership and spending decisions. Enough is enough. This proposal needs to be shut down immediately and permanently.

I urge you to reject this tax increase and demand accountability from our elected leaders before considering any new burdens on Oregon taxpayers.

Respectfully, Erika Wilson