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Section 12's provision allowing ODOT to automatically adjust fees starting in 2030 hands too much power to unelected officials, reducing legislative oversight and handing over the responsibility of unchecked increases. When fee structures are managed by unelected employees the people are not represented.

Asking for a "raise in funds" and the ability for those in charge to give unlimited self raises in the future when the current funds have not been managed is ridiculous. I urge the committee to explore alternatives, such as reallocating existing funds, to address ODOT's needs without further taxing Oregonians. Thank you for considering my testimony.

-Becky Routson