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Dear Representatives-

As an Oregon small business owner, I urge a No vote on Governor Kotek's transportation spending and tax increase bill.

Oregon already burdens small businesses with nearly the highest payroll tax of any state, and does so on tax payers earning much less than similar rates being charged in the very highest tax states. The way things are already I am barely able to afford paying for the sole employee that I have. If this spending bill is passed, payroll taxes will rise further, making it difficult for me to pay any employees and to compete in the US marketplace. There are probably many other small business owners in similar circumstances to mine. In the end, we may be forced to leave the state I order to stay in business.

So, please, vote No on this transportation spending bill.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

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