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Special Session Transportation Framework

Attn: Joint Interim Committee on Transportation Funding.

To Committee Members:

I oppose the following portions of the Transportation Funding:

Gas Tax: Oppose a raise in gas tax from 40 cents per gallon to 46 cents per gallon. For years vehicles operating on fuel have supported a portion of electric vehicles, bicycle paths instead of fixing our roads. Electric vehicles and cyclists for pay a larger portion of the new tax proposal to make up for the years that fuel operated vehicles have carried the load.

Registration Fees: Opposed vehicle registration fees on fueled vehicles. The registration fee for the electric vehicle to equal to the registration fee fueled vehicles pay. I pay \$126.00 to register my vehicle while electric vehicle only pay \$42.00 and use the same roads.

Vehicle Title Fee: Opposed. The increase from \$77 to \$216 is too extreme. People are struggling enough to feed their families and getting to work and you are adding to the burden.

Payroll Taxes: Opposed. Not sure why payroll taxes should be a part of anything to do with transportation. If there was better transparency on how the money was actually paid it would be different. Right now I pay a transit tax on my paycheck that only benefits the larger cities and not our rural area.

OReGo program: Support this program 100% for electric vehicles and oppose for hybrid vehicles as they pay gas tax when filling up at the station.

Simplify Weight-Mile rates: Support anything to help support trucking companies.

Auditing: Support. Holding departments accountable for their spending is extremely important. This goes for the top down.

Thank you for listening

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