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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation  
Funding

Measure, Appointment or  
Topic: LC 2

Co-Chairs Wagner and Fahey and members of the committee,

I respectfully urge you to vote in favor of LC2 and to please pass this transportation package. I own a small trucking and helicopter company in Southern Oregon. Unfortunately I have had to scale back my business greatly, due to both economic and the generally high costs associated with trucking in Oregon. As I am sure you know Oregon truckers have been overpaying highway taxes for a number of years. This bill will help to address that overpayment and create a more streamlined wright-maile tax system. This will not only simplify the system but will reduce the amount Oregon truckers are paying due to evasion by out-of-state carriers. Additionally, and equally important to the trucking idustry is that we keep ODOT functioning to a level that allows them to continue mainaining our states highways, the lifeblood of our economy, and continue to support our transportation infrastructure.

Again, please support LC2 and pass this transportation package.

Thank you,

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