

## Against the Transportation Tax Package

- Adds \$0.06 to the gas tax to .46 per gallon
- Adds \$139 to title fees
- Adds \$42 to registration fees
- Doubles the payroll tax for the State Transportation Improvement Fund
- **Empowers unelected bureaucrats at DAS to adjust gas taxes without legislative consent** - meaning your taxes could go up without a single vote from the Legislature. THIS IS PUTS AN UNELECTED BUREAUCRAT STATE IN SALEM IN CONTROL.

### Key Points:

- Raising gas and vehicle fees will affect my tight family budget.
- The importance of maintaining safe roads without unnecessary financial strain in our rural areas where snow conditions can be dangerous & deadly. Refocus funding on road maintenance!
- We must drive more in our rural areas of Oregon to go anywhere- not equitable to metro.
- We deserve transparency and responsible budgeting before adding new costs.
- The high costs to Oregon businesses with the payroll taxes is another deterrent for expanding or NEW business attraction.
- This makes our state more business UN-friendly.
- Oregon is 48<sup>th</sup> of 50 states for "Business Friendliness" in CNBC's top states for Business in 2024. \*
- Negative effects on Economic Development

Sincerely,

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\* Recruitment of Oregon Businesses by External Organizations report by U of O. January, 2025