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I am an employer, small business owner, and legal resident taxpayer. As representatives of the people who we elected to work on our behalf, it is important that you know I am adamantly opposed to all of the proposed increases in fees and taxes for transportation. The state government is not managing the monies we give them well and spending it in ways that we the people do not support or approve. Until state government can spend money wisely on the things the people actually care about like the public roads, we will not approve more funding. Reallocate money spent on wasteful and unnecessary projects and you'll have enough money for truly needed transportation costs. The general fund is not distributed correctly...correct this overspending problem and reallocate appropriately. Once done, you'll have enough for what's necessary...more than enough. This increase amounts to overtaxation. What's worse is the baked in clause allowing the agencies to bypass the people and our hired representatives (you) to raise fees and taxes later at their whim. This is NOT what we hired you to do. We hired you to take care of our monies and distribute it appropriately. We hired you to determine how much taxes and fees are collected. We did not hire the agencies to do this...Agencies determining taxation and fees amounts to taxation without representation...only you are elected representative has the power (delegated to you by us the people) to raise funding and taxation. Oppose this taxation and fee increase. I will vocally oppose you in the next election if you support these increases. Tina Kotek is not representing the will of the people with this increase...Don't follow her lead. Follow the desire of the people who hired you and have the power to remove you from office. Thank you!