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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation  
Funding

Measure, Appointment or  
Topic: LC 2

No New Road Tax.

I am opposed to the proposed road tax that you are considering this weekend.

Instead of just giving more money to ODOT by taking it from the people, we should make sure the money ODOT already has is being spent in the most beneficial way possible. That means less for oversight, administration, interest & PERS expenses and more for actual snowplowing and road repairs / improvements.

Like many Oregonian families who commute to work every day the gas tax and fuels surcharge would cost us about \$200 extra per year, the payroll tax adding another 200 so our increased tax burden will easily be about \$400. In these times when our wages/takehome is actually decreasing, and food, interest expense, living expenses, materials, insurance and energy/fuel all cost more, adding an additional tax burden like this is too much to bear.

Please vote no and instead ask ODOT to eliminate oversight, administration, interest and PERS expenses.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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