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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation
Funding

Measure, Appointment or
Topic: LC 2

To the Joint Interim Committee on Transportation Funding,

I am writing in opposition to the tax increases proposed in Governor Kotek's LC2 proposal. The scale of these increases is excessive and, if enacted, would be catastrophic for small businesses across Oregon that are already struggling with rising costs.

Rather than relying on new taxes, I urge the Committee to direct ODOT to take a hard look at its expenditures and prioritize efficiencies within its existing budget. Without accountability and a focus on cost discipline, tax increases will only perpetuate unsustainable spending while placing additional burdens on Oregonians who can least afford them. Dumping the burden for mismanagement of ODOT on taxpayers is NOT the way forward.

I respectfully ask that you reject these proposed increases and instead work toward responsible budgeting solutions that protect both our transportation system and the vitality of Oregon's small businesses.

Thank you,
Matt Zacher