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Please do the right thing and come up with a real representative tax bill. First, any tax law needs to have clear and decisive audit and management. You passed the massive 2017 HB 2017 Bill. Billions given to ODOT and essentially money didn't do what was promised. Ms Sollman you passed a sales tax then when we said multiple times, NO Sales Tax. We The People said no sales tax, you did it anyway and when I bought a new vehicle, I paid income tax and a sales tax. Double taxation. You added an income tax, "transit" tax on top of our already highly taxed income, and now you want to double it when public transportation ridership is down. There has been no accountability. How does a DEI office with hundreds of thousands of tax dollars actually repair roads, bridges and make Oregon transportation safer? Instead of money going to bureaucracy, it should be "boots on the ground" labor that receives our tax dollars. You, Ms Sollman, took billions of our money and gave it to unions who push paper, not build and rebuild infrastructure. Why are we required to live within our means and not ODOT? Massive wages to non safety workers. Lost money. No accountability. If you want to tax someone, tax all the EV owners, like yourself. EV cars are highly destructive of the Earth to produce. Little recyclable at this time. Heavily destructive of our roads and infrastructure due to being heavier and tires that need different construction. When is taxing Oregonians finally enough? Oh and where was "our" Governor during this critical hearing????