

Submitter: Mike Rice  
On Behalf Of: Opposed to this proposed tax increase  
Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation  
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: LC 2

I OPPOSE the proposed tax increase.

As a retired State employee I have seen continual tax increases through the years which have served no good purpose.

Now on a fixed income, I find it more difficult to afford even a short getaway to sites within our state - hurting small businesses and local economies in the process.

The simple FACT is, as fuel prices elsewhere in the nation substantially decreased while Oregon's have NOT, there is a habit this legislative body have developed to repeatedly place undue taxation burdens on the backs of the people of this state. While a number of the members of the Oregon State Legislature may not "feel it", the people you look to for support - those you allegedly "represent" - most certainly DO "feel it" and are sick and tired of this mismanagement.

Rest assured voters will remove those who continue to BRING such proposed legislation as well as those who SUPPORT these ill-conceived efforts for yet more pilfering under the guise of infrastructure maintenance and improvement, especially when there is so very little to show for what is already a heavy taxation.

SINCERELY,  
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