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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation

Funding

Measure, Appointment or

LC 2

Topic:

I am a Portland native and have lived here for over 50 years. I work full-time, make a good salary (on paper) yet I don't see myself retiring here due to the high cost of living.

My husband and I been on the fence since 2020 as to whether we want to or even can afford to retire here in Oregon. If LC 2 passes, we will likely move within the next 1-2 years and leave Oregon for good. Once we get settled in our new State I will begin to help my adult children and other friends and family leave Oregon and resettle. This is at least a dozen tax payers that Oregon will lose just with my family alone.

As I would do if I were experiencing a cash flow problem or budget shortfall, I ask that you please work to reallocate the billions of funds we tax payers already give you. In a crisis like this you must re-budget, eliminating all nonessential projects and work with what you have.

If I can't pay my bills, I cannot demand and force my employer to pay me more money to accommodate my lifestyle.

Please NO NEW TAXES. We Oregonians cannot afford any additional taxes.

Thank you.