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On Behalf Of: Self  
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Senators and Representatives: I oppose HB2025 for the following reasons:

Oregon is one of the highest taxed states in the USA leaving residents one step from becoming homeless.

A large percentage of the jobs in Oregon pay a basic wage. People in this bracket can't afford anymore across the board tax increases.

Oregon raised everyone's taxes with the 3% increase on business before deductions. This tax was passed on to all residents of Oregon. This was a terrible debacle as has been proven as one by one businesses are leaving Oregon. "Dutch Bros" is the latest, next in line Intel and rumored Nike.

Oregon legislators have taxed everything imaginable to get money for the homeless. This money has never been distributed that the average resident can see or have proof of. Time to stop taxing Oregonians.

Republicans have offered an alternative bill for transportation that would not raise taxes. It's time to work together with fresh ideas to keep jobs in Oregon. I see the number of jobs available has decreased. The population has decreased.

Oregon is being left with low income residents as middle and high income residents are leaving this state. This is a dire situation for Oregon as middle income and high income residents pay the majority of taxes.

Stop the Tax and Spend habit. Do some critical thinking on how to stretch a dollar. Think outside the box instead of just adding taxes.