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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Special Session Committee On Transportation  
Funding

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3991

Chairs Wagner and Fahey, Co Chairs Bonham and Drazen and members of the Joint Special Session Committee on Transportation Funding,

I am writing in OPPOSITION of HB 3991. I am almost 70 years old and I live on a fixed monthly income. HB 3991, if passed, will not only raise my costs to own and operate my personal vehicles it will raise the costs of vehicle operation to businesses that provide services and products to the businesses I buy items from or services. Not all delivery trucks are diesel, most are gasoline powered. Ride providing services like Uber, Ride share and regular taxis will have to raise prices due to HB 3991. Costs are going to go up for everyone when we can least afford it.

All Oregonians want good and safe roads, bridges, culverts and guardrails. ODOT has stated that they could cover the cost needed for Maintenance if you, the legislators, would remove the restrictions on what their money goes to. Things like DEI and Climate Control should be policies not multi million dollar budget items which takes money from Maintenance. The Republicans have suggested this already which I fully support.

I am also deeply upset that this bill will allow a Bureaucracy to control raising the gas tax in the future. That is totally unconstitutional. "No taxation without representation" Do you really want to allow this? It's your job to control taxes, spending and fees.

This isn't just a small increase to families. You have to understand the trickle down costs. You aren't seeing the big picture.

Please vote NO

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