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Let's make this simple! I am a school teacher and I live with my 85 year old father. We live in rural Lane County. We simply can NOT afford these proposed taxes and increase in fees. I drive a minimum of 20 miles one way to reach. The increase in fuel alone will cause drastic reductions in other areas of my budget.

I have already reduced my every other day latte purchase to maybe twice a month. And I now pay for that with the money I get from returning my bottles and cans. I never order anything but water when I eat out. And speaking of eating out, this used to happen twice a week. It is now maybe every other week.

We don't need redundant (we have the us constitution to protect civil rights) DEI policies & the people to oversee them. ODOT doesn't need to develop traffic safety educational materials. We have plenty of curriculum around this topic. We do not need to sink billions of dollars into a poorly used light rail system and other public transportation systems. We need to stick to the core values of ODOT.

My income is not increasing at the same level as my expenses. I'm not encouraging you vote "No" I am ordering, imploring, begging you to vote "No" on the governor's tone deaf and cost prohibitive ODOT funding proposal. This type of legislation is why our state is literally dying!

Please kill this plan! No more money for ODOT. THEY MUST LIVE WITHIN THEIR MEANS!

Respectfully,

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