

Submitter: George McNair

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Special Session Committee On Transportation
Funding

Measure, Appointment or
Topic: HB3991

Honorable chair and committed members,
I wish to express my opposition to this measure. My basis for opposition to this measure is the hardship that it will cause by driving up all of our costs through transportation fees, etc, at a time when myself and so many others are already feeling the painful effects of many years of inflationary cost increases and higher taxes.

Raising costs and taxes will only serve to hurt working families even more. I urge you to stand with hardworking families and shelve this bill. I urge you to focus on cutting spending to fund transportation rather than growing taxes to increase spending.

I also oppose the misleading statements in the summary of the bill regarding tolling. From my reading of the bill, tolling has not been repealed (through the repeal of ORS 383.150 but only moved to a different area in ORS 383.009 per Section 57 of this bill.

I wish that I could say I have been able to examine the whole of the bill in detail, but it is incredibly long and complex and I have not had the time to examine all facets of the bill. I wish that you would make bills shorter and simpler to empower the citizens of Oregon to be more easily informed about them.

Thank you for hearing my testimony

Sincerely,
George McNair
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