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On Behalf Of:

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Funding

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3991

Dear Legislators,

With all due respect, I think it is underhanded for the Governor to call a special session to ram rod additional taxes through congress when the majority of Oregonians have made it clear that we oppose additional taxes. Scheduling this special session over the Labor Day weekend, makes this affront even more egregious! It is simply immoral to mismanage tax payers monies and not work within the confines of a balanced budget. How can you expect us to pay more taxes under these circumstances? Please conduct budgetary and performance audits of ODOT and figure out where the money is being wasted. Time to tighten the belt and live within your budget like the rest of us common folks have to do. Cut the excess pet projects, red tape and inflated operating costs and focus on the basic infrastructure needs of our state. We have hired you to do a responsible job and we need you to do just that! It looks like an audit will be a great place to start.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly