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First let me state that doing this over Labor Day weekend discourages public testimony.

I oppose this completely. The state needs to do a better job in managing expenses and budgets just as I must as a retired senior on a fixed income. As with the Abernathy Bridge project doing work assuming a funding source exists, and available. Over the past couple of years, as with the unemployment issue during covid, the rolling out of rental assistance, and the rolling out of the family leave program all have been plagued by poor management and execution, all which in the private sector would not have been tolerated.

Next the increase in taxes and fees will hurt those who can least afford it. Although I do believe that Electric Cars should pay their fair share, since they do not purchase gas they should contribute to roads. We are just plain trying to do too much with limited resources.

I expect both sides of the Oregon Legislature to manage the funds and resources they have, and just as a senior citizen I must make decisions to manage mine. Thank you and I respectfully ask that you do not approve HB 3991