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Funding

Measure, Appointment or

Topic:

HB3991

I oppose HB 3991 & 3992 these bills do nothing to solve the problem at hand and appears to just add more tax and fee.

Sad that one should have to "make it a law" that a department should be audited and held accountable?

it appears that ODOT needs competent management as does our State obviously. Perhaps the layoffs should have been from the top down?

Public transportation does not mean that there should be a "bus" every 15 minutes!

While I can sympathize with individuals being laid of in the public sector, we also have the layoffs in the private sector.

What makes a public employee layoff more important than a private sector employee. I don't see the legislature trying to save those jobs!

The bills are so bad in so many ways, and it appears that "partisan politics" have brought us to this point in Oregon's history.

VOTE NO

This is a Band-Aid fix at best.

For gosh sakes ODOT had employees "stealing" from them for 16 years before being held accountable!

To date that accountability hasn't done much other than the following from 2023 Former ODOT employees sentenced to prison for 16-year crime spree Published: Jan. 6, 2023 at 3:56 PM PST

OREGON CITY Ore. (KPTV) – Three former Oregon Department of Transportation employees were sentenced to up to 12 years in prison Friday after reselling stolen equipment worth millions of dollars.

According to the Clackamas County District Attorney's Office, the former employees and one of their spouses used their positions to purchase equipment using ODOT vendor accounts, created fraudulent invoices, stockpiled the fraudulently purchased equipment and resold the items for personal profit between 2004 to 2020.