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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Dear Co-chairs Pham and McLain and members of the JCT-R,

I am writing to support passage of SB 2025. Even though the text of the new amendment is yet to be made public, it is my fervent hope that this transportation package will be a step forward towards a cleaner, safer, healthier and more equitable future for Oregonians. It may be more of a compromise than I want, but may serve as a spring board for future investments and revenue.

Even if the amendment brings in less revenue and contains decreases in funding for safety, operations and maintenance, I hope transit funding remains intact. My understanding is that not passing this compromise bill would mean layoffs of workers and further deterioration of neglected or unsafe infrastructure.

Please vote in favor of SB 2025 to pass it out of committee and rally the “yes” votes needed to pass it on the floor.

Thank you.