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While I am certain autonomous vehicles will be a feature of our transportation system in the future, cities and municipalities **MUST** be able to regulate them. There are simply too many probably negative impacts, and we cannot rely on the Oregon state government to act nimbly to regulate. Maybe in a decade or two, once the technology has matured. But this will be a disaster for Oregonians.

The idea that our first AV regulations would preempt local regulations gives the game away: this is an effort bankrolled by corporate donors and wealthy interests, almost entirely out of state. Easier to pay off a few state legislators rather than a dozen cities. Passing this bill out of committee would be a scandal and I hope committee members who have taken money from these companies understand both these optics, and those that are doing this as a good faith effort understand why we need more time to consider and test out regulations (and wait for the technology to mature).