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To: Oregon House of Representatives:

Re: Yamhill County Board of Commissioners strong opposition to HB2025.

Representatives,

HB 2025 will result in the largest tax hike in Oregon history with 35 new taxes and fee increases that would be devastating to Yamhill County residents and Oregonians statewide.

These proposed tax increases are counterproductive to Yamhill County's mission to serve its residents. They will drive operating costs higher for our county, the consequences of which will be borne by our constituents through a reduction in services.

ODOT should be using its budget to build, upgrade, and maintain transportation systems in our County and other counties across the State.

Instead of raising our constituents' taxes, the legislature should be focused on realigning ODOT's work with its mission.

Time and again we have been sold a false bill of goods when it comes to transportation budgets and tax increases.

The proposed tax increases will not address ODOT's cost overruns and misguided priorities. Oregon already has some of the most punitive tax rates in the nation. The last thing Oregonians need is for their taxes to be increased because an agency that is supposed to serve them has lost its focus; we encourage you to stand up for Yamhill County and our fellow Oregonians.

Protect our County; please do not raise taxes.

Respectfully,

Yamhill County Board of Commissioners

Approved by the Yamhill County Board of

Commissioners on 06/26/2025

via Board Order 25-195

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