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House Republican Leader Lucetta Elmer Responds to Governor Kotek Signing Transportation Tax Package

SALEM, Ore. — **House Republican Leader Lucetta Elmer (R-McMinnville)** issued the following statement today after Governor Tina Kotek announced she signed House Bill 3991:

"House Bill 3991 sat on Governor Kotek's desk for 33 days after she demanded legislators return to the Capitol over Labor Day weekend to pass it – ignoring the thousands of Oregonians who overwhelmingly opposed it in public testimony," said **Leader Elmer.** "This bill adds \$4.3 billion in new taxes and fees at a time when Oregon families can least afford it. I'm grateful Oregonians will now have *another* opportunity to make their voices heard and express to lawmakers that they too, must live within their means. It is not the responsibility of Oregon taxpayers to continue picking up the tab for lawmakers who make poor budget decisions."