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**DEMOCRATS RAM LARGEST TAX INCREASE IN OREGON HISTORY
THROUGH COMMITTEE**

SALEM, Ore. – Today, the Joint Committee on Transportation Reinvestment voted to advance [House Bill 2025](#) – the Democrats’ \$14.6 billion transportation tax wishlist – adopting the [-23 amendment](#), despite bipartisan opposition and overwhelming rejection from Oregonians who submitted written testimony. With approximately 35 new taxes, tax hikes, and fee increases, the Democrats’ bill would be the largest tax hike in Oregon history.

“Salem Democrats schemed their transportation tax wishlist in the basement of the Capitol and then rigged the democratic process to ram through the largest tax hike in Oregon history, ignoring 61% of Oregonians who submitted public testimony strongly opposing the bill,” said **Rep. Shelly Boshart Davis (R-Albany)**, Vice-Chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation Reinvestment.

Rep. Boshart Davis made a motion to substitute the -23 amendment with the [-8 amendment](#), which would replace the base bill with [HB 3982](#), the Republicans transportation proposal. The motion failed on an 8–4 vote. A comprehensive [breakdown of the amendment can be found here](#).

“Oregonians don’t want to pay more in taxes and fees for a government they should already be getting. They want potholes filled, snow plowed, and roads and bridges maintained. We know Oregonians’ top concern is the cost of living. Our proposal served as a bridge that sought to rebuild Oregonians’ trust in ODOT before asking them to pay more,” said Rep. Boshart Davis regarding the Republicans’ amendment.

HB 2025 now heads to the House Floor for a vote.

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