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## HOUSE REPUBLICAN LEADER CHRISTINE DRAZAN RESPONDS TO PASSAGE OF \$4.3 BILLION TAX HIKE THAT WILL HARM STRUGGLING OREGONIANS

**SALEM, Ore. –** Today, **House Republican Leader Christine Drazan (R-Canby)** released the following statement in response to Senate Democrats passing Governor Kotek's \$4.3 billion transportation tax package (HB 3991), ignoring the thousands of Oregonians who said no to more taxes.

"Despite the thousands of pieces of testimony from Oregonians who overwhelmingly opposed this bill, Democrats passed one of the largest transportation tax increases in Oregon's history," said **Rep. Drazan**. "Republicans proposed multiple alternative funding options and introduced amendments to this bill that protected struggling Oregonians from higher costs, but Democrats rejected them. The process to pass this bill was sloppy and careless, and Oregonians will pay the price – at the pump, at the DMV, and out of their pocketbooks."