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**Senate Republican Leader Calls On House Speaker to Send SB 324 Back to
Committee**

Would Allow Work on Bipartisan Transportation Package to Resume

Salem, OR - Today, Senate Republican Leader Ted Ferrioli (R-John Day) released the following statement following the suspension of a bipartisan transportation workgroup on Thursday evening:

"Democrat leaders are so committed to a policy that would raise gas prices on Oregonians, they cannot see the connection between partisan politics that raise prices at the pump and the viability of a new gas tax to fund crucial transportation investment," said Senator Ferrioli. "Republicans in the House and Senate have pledged to stand up for low-income and rural Oregonians and not allow hidden taxes that hurt struggling Oregon families. We need a bipartisan transportation package, and I call on the Speaker of the House to refer any carbon mandates back to committee so we can focus on fixing roads and bridges so Oregonians can safely and efficiently travel and our businesses have sound transportation infrastructure they can rely on."

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