

Senate Bill 1544

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Exempts land in site of statewide economic development significance from certain transportation planning requirements and access management standards.

Declares specific site in City of Redmond to be site of statewide economic development significance.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to economic development; and declaring an emergency.

3 Whereas Oregon needs a reliable supply of large-lot, high-value employment sites to attract in-
4 vestment and create jobs for Oregonians and to be competitive for employment projects on a re-
5 gional, national and global scale; and

6 Whereas the need for the sites is of statewide strategic economic development importance; and

7 Whereas development on the sites contributes so significantly to the state's economy, job base
8 and ability to provide services that focused regulatory relief is a wise investment; and

9 Whereas there exists within the city limits of the City of Redmond a developable site of ap-
10 proximately 465 acres that is unique in the state in that it is a large site that can be served readily
11 with infrastructure, is located adjacent to Redmond's employment and industrial lands, is adjacent
12 to Oregon Route 126 and is in close proximity to the Redmond airport; and

13 Whereas this property located in the City of Redmond is currently zoned Open Space Park Re-
14 serve and has an adopted framework plan for industrial zoning, but the City of Redmond is not able
15 to rezone the property to support economic development opportunities due to constraints associated
16 with administrative rules adopted to implement a statewide land use planning goal relating to
17 transportation planning and other transportation-related regulations; and

18 Whereas resources have not been identified on the property that must be inventoried under a
19 statewide land use planning goal relating to protection of natural resources and conservation of
20 scenic and historic areas and open spaces; and

21 Whereas the City of Redmond will pursue phased local transportation improvements to mitigate
22 traffic impacts associated with development of the high-value employment site; and

23 Whereas the Redmond site is a site of statewide economic development significance and can be
24 a high-value employment site for regional, national and global recruitment opportunities; now,
25 therefore,

26 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

27 **SECTION 1.** (1) **As used in this section, "Redmond site" means the approximately 465**
28 **acres of real property located within the City of Redmond that:**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (a) Is bounded roughly north by Antler Avenue, east by Negus Way, south by Oregon
2 Route 126 and west by NE 9th Street;

3 (b) Can be identified as tax lots 1513150000100, 1513150000101, 1513150000102 and
4 1513150000103; and

5 (c) Is zoned under the applicable acknowledged comprehensive plan as Open Space Park
6 Reserve.

7 (2) For land within a site of statewide economic development significance:

8 (a) Notwithstanding a statewide land use planning goal related to transportation plan-
9 ning, when a local government can make a land use decision based on provisions of the local
10 government's acknowledged comprehensive plan and land use regulations, the local govern-
11 ment is not required to comply with administrative rules adopted to implement the goal by:

12 (A) Requiring a determination whether the development will have a significant effect on
13 an existing or planned transportation facility; or

14 (B) Providing or requiring mitigation of potential effects on the transportation facility.

15 (b) Notwithstanding access management standards in ORS 374.305 to 374.325 or adopted
16 in administrative rules by the Department of Transportation pursuant to ORS 374.310, a local
17 government may approve the building or construction of an approach road, or other facility,
18 thing or appurtenance on the right of way of a state highway or county road pursuant to the
19 acknowledged comprehensive plan and land use regulations.

20 (3) The Redmond site is a site of statewide economic development significance.

21 SECTION 2. This 2012 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
22 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2012 Act takes effect
23 on its passage.
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