

Senate Bill 1556

Sponsored by Senator MONNES ANDERSON; Senators BEYER, DEVLIN, OLSEN, Representatives KOMP, MATTHEWS (Presession filed.)

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**.

Permits contracting agency to give preference to bidder or proposer that exceeds federal Buy America requirements that apply to federally funded transit projects.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to contract preferences for federally funded transit projects; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2012 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 279A.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) Notwithstanding provisions of law that require a contracting agency to**
6 **award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder or best proposer or provider of a quotation,**
7 **a contracting agency that receives and uses funds from the federal government or an agency**
8 **of the federal government for a transit project may give preference to a bidder or proposer**
9 **that exceeds federal Buy America requirements that apply to federally funded transit**
10 **projects, as permitted under 49 C.F.R. 661.21 as that regulation existed on the effective date**
11 **of this 2012 Act.**

12 **(2) The Department of Transportation, the Oregon Department of Administrative Ser-**
13 **vices and the Attorney General may adopt rules under ORS 279A.065 and establish policies**
14 **and procedures to implement subsection (1) of this section.**

15 **SECTION 3. This 2012 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
16 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2012 Act takes effect**
17 **on its passage.**

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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.