

# Senate Bill 242

Sponsored by Senator DEVLIN; Senator WALKER (Presession filed.)

## SUMMARY

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Requires school districts to consider including safety improvements that create safer routes to schools as part of large construction projects.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to school districts.

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

3 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "large construction project" means a project for:**

4 **(a) Which a school district must submit the question of bonded indebtedness to the**  
5 **electors of the school district and the total bonded indebtedness for the project is greater**  
6 **than \$1 million; or**

7 **(b) Remodeling, renovation or new construction for which the total cost of the project**  
8 **is greater than \$500,000.**

9 **(2) Prior to receiving approval from the electors of the school district for bonded**  
10 **indebtedness for a large construction project or prior to entering into a contract for a large**  
11 **construction project for which bonded indebtedness is not required, a school district shall:**

12 **(a) Evaluate the need for safety improvements within one mile of an elementary school**  
13 **or 1.5 miles of a secondary school where the large construction project is to be completed.**  
14 **The safety improvements should provide safer alternative routes to schools and may include**  
15 **improvements for pedestrians, bicycles and motor vehicles.**

16 **(b) Evaluate the potential for joint funding of safety improvements with other public and**  
17 **private entities.**

18 **(c) Consider including the funding of safety improvements within the funding of the large**  
19 **construction project. The consideration of and the school district board's decision on the**  
20 **funding for safety improvements as part of a large construction project shall be part of the**  
21 **public record relating to the project.**

22 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2007 Act applies to large construction projects:**

23 **(1) That receive approval from the electors of the school district for bonded indebtedness**  
24 **for the project on or after the effective date of this 2007 Act.**

25 **(2) For which bonded indebtedness is not required, if the first contract for the project is**  
26 **entered into by the school district on or after the effective date of this 2007 Act.**  
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