

House Joint Resolution 101

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS, ETHICS AND RULES (at the request of House Interim Committee on Rural Policy)

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**.

Urges communication about transportation funding issues among all levels of government and stakeholders.

JOINT RESOLUTION

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2 Whereas county roads form the backbone of Oregon's integrated road system by providing links
3 for commerce and economic development, access to recreational areas, connectivity between city
4 streets and state highways and routes for emergency services; and

5 Whereas the county road system is distressed, especially in rural counties, and needs significant
6 funding to maintain and preserve existing roads and to adequately address issues of congestion,
7 safety and natural disasters; and

8 Whereas a lack of funding will allow roads to further deteriorate, choking economic growth,
9 disconnecting communities and neighborhoods, discouraging tourism and inhibiting the ability to
10 respond to public safety needs and natural disasters; and

11 Whereas the probable loss of federal funds from the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-
12 Determination Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-393) will significantly impact the road funding crisis facing
13 counties; now, therefore,

14 **Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:**

15 That we, the members of the Seventy-fourth Legislative Assembly, in special legislative session
16 assembled, respectfully urge that all subsequent deliberations about transportation funding at the
17 state, county and city levels be as inclusive of all stakeholders as possible, and that significant
18 consideration given to the probable loss of federal funds under P.L. 106-393 and the impact that will
19 have on county roads, especially in rural areas.

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