

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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Action: Do Pass  
Vote: 9 - 0 - 1  
Yeas: Barton, Cameron, Edwards C., Esquivel, Holvey, Matthews, Thatcher, Witt, Schaufler  
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Meeting Dates: 4/13

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Prohibits a contracting agency from entering into an agreement with another state in which the contracting agency agrees that contractor may pay less than the prevailing wage rate under the terms for the public works contract. Declares an emergency, effective upon passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Provisions of the measure

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** The Department of Transportation (ODOT) enters into interstate agreements for public works projects that can involve the payment of federal prevailing wage rates, which supersede Oregon's prevailing wage rate law. There was an incident with an interstate agreement between ODOT and Idaho's transportation department that would have paid less than the state's prevailing wage rates for the work that was being conducted within Oregon.

HB 2907 clarifies that Oregon contracting agencies cannot enter into an interstate agreement that allows a contractor to pay less than Oregon's prevailing wage rate.