

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass
Vote: 8 - 1 - 1
Yeas: Bailey, Berger, Boone, Edwards D., Gilman, Kahl, Schaufler, Beyer
Nays: Bentz
Exc.: Weidner
Prepared By: Patrick Brennan, Administrator
Meeting Dates: 4/13, 4/24

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires that requests for proposals and invitations to bid for construction, reconstruction, purchase, rent, lease, or acquisition of interstate bridges contain provisions related to environmental protection, worker safety, employment of apprentices, and preference to procuring products and materials fabricated in Oregon, Washington, or Idaho.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Economic benefits of using materials fabricated in-state

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: ORS 381 governs the construction, acquisition and maintenance of interstate bridges under state jurisdiction between Washington and Oregon over the Columbia River (ORS 381.005 – 381.080) and between Idaho and Oregon over the Snake River (ORS 381.096 – 381.100). House Bill 2956 specifies that requests for proposals and bid invitations related to interstate bridges between Oregon and Washington and Oregon and Idaho under state jurisdiction include provisions, including: compliance with applicable laws related to environmental protection, worker health, and employment of apprentices; preference for procuring products and materials fabricated in Oregon and Washington (for bridges between those states) and Oregon and Idaho (for bridges between those states); ability to recycle materials used or the use of recycled materials; and proximity of fabrication of materials to the bridge site.