

REVENUE: No revenue impact
FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
Vote:	4 - 1 - 0
Yeas:	Monnes Anderson, Prozanski, Telfer, Rosenbaum
Nays:	George
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	4/6, 4/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Defines diversity. Directs Department of Transportation (ODOT) to establish a Contractor and Workforce Diversity Pilot Program to increase diversity among contractors, subcontractors, and workers working in connection with the department's public improvement contracts.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Diversion of ODOT moneys from road building

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Women and minorities have traditionally been underrepresented, as a percentage of the state's population, at every level of involvement in public construction projects. State policy requires equal employment opportunities for all citizens. Different public entities have made various efforts to address this variance, with some success. Senate Bills 894, 895, and 896 all attempt to increase the involvement of women and minorities in public construction projects in Oregon.