2009 Regular Legislative Session FISCAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION Prepared by the Oregon Legislative Fiscal Office

MEASURE NUMBER: HB 2971 STATUS: Original

SUBJECT: Increases the allocation of State Highway Fund money dedicated for footpaths and bicycle

trails from one to two percent

GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Department of Transportation, Local Governments

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<u>2009-2011</u> <u>2011-2013</u>

EXPENDITURES:

See Comments

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2009

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET: This bill is not anticipated by the Governor's recommended budget.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE: This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

ANALYSIS: HB 2971 increases the allocation of State Highway Fund money dedicated for footpaths and bicycle trails from one to two percent. The bill also provides that the increase does not apply to cities and counties receiving State Highway Funds if the two percent equals \$250 or less to cities or \$1,500 or less to counties.

The bill does not increase the overall level of State Highway Fund spending. However, the bill will divert an additional \$5.9 million in State Highway Funds from other programs, such as highway preservation, bridge maintenance, and modernization projects. ODOT notes that approximately \$27 million in annual expenditures would be required to meet the Oregon Transportation Plan goal of providing a complete bicycle and walking network on urban state highways by 2030.