

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

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**MEASURE NUMBER:** SB 894

**STATUS:** B-Engrossed

**SUBJECT:** Requires the Department of Transportation to use one-half of one percent of all Federal Funds received by the department, up to a maximum of \$1.8 million, to increase diversity in the highway construction workforce.

**GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED:** Department of Transportation

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	<u>2009-2011</u>	<u>2011-2013</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b> See Analysis		

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The bill includes an emergency clause and is effective on passage. The diversity program requirements are operative on October 1, 2009,

**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:** SB 894 directs the Department of Transportation (ODOT) to use one-half of one percent of all Federal Funds, up to a maximum of \$1.5 million, to increase diversity in the highway construction workforce. The bill specifies that ODOT is to use Federal Funds, and funds from other agency sources that ODOT may dedicate, to provide specified services designed to increase diversity, and report to the Legislative Assembly by no later than December 1 of each even-numbered year on the performance outcomes from each of the activities specified in the bill.

ODOT has not identified the staffing requirements or other workload related to the requirements of this bill.

The primary fiscal impact of this bill is related to the requirement that one-half of one percent of all Federal Funds for currently designated purposes be diverted to the diversity program. The bill does not change the total level of spending, but does change spending priorities.

ODOT reports that it will receive about \$1.1 billion in Federal Funds in the 2009-11 biennium. This includes federal-aid highway funds of all types, including Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration grants, Federal Transit Administration grants and Federal Rail Administration grants.