

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2277

By COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “tires;” delete the rest of the line and insert “and
2 declaring an emergency.”.

3 Delete lines 4 through 30 and delete page 2 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Transportation shall study and submit a report on
5 the impact of the use of studded tires on the cost of maintaining highways as defined in ORS
6 366.005. The report must include:**

7 **“(a) The annual cost of highway maintenance attributed to the impact of the use of
8 studded tires, including but not limited to the cost of early pavement replacement due to
9 damage caused by the use of studded tires and a breakdown of these costs as distributed
10 among city streets, county roads and state highways.**

11 **“(b) The approximate number of studded tires and other types of traction tires or
12 traction devices used in this state during the winter driving season and a description of re-
13 gional variations in use.**

14 **“(c) The net reduction in pavement surface life due to the use of studded tires.**

15 **“(d) A description of how different types of pavement surfaces are affected by the use
16 of studded tires.**

17 **“(e) A review of recent studies conducted in other states regarding the safety benefits
18 of snow tires and studded tires under different winter driving conditions.**

19 **“(f) A review of recent studies conducted in other states regarding the need for studded
20 tires to provide traction in winter driving conditions.**

21 **“(g) A discussion of recent improvements in traction tire design and whether the im-
22 provements reduce damage to highways.**

23 **“(h) A description of different types of traction tires and traction devices used in differ-
24 ent regions of this state.**

25 **“(i) Recommended alternative measures that road authorities could implement to reduce
26 the use of studded tires while maintaining safe driving conditions, including educating the
27 public about alternatives to studded tires.**

28 **“(j) The anticipated annual cost of alternative measures that road authorities may im-
29 plement to maintain safe driving conditions as a result of a ban on studded tires.**

30 **“(k) A review of recent studies conducted in other states regarding the frequency of
31 motor vehicle crashes as a result of a ban on studded tires and the costs associated with an
32 increase or decrease in the frequency of crashes.**

33 **“(2) In conducting the study, the department shall consult with the Oregon Transporta-
34 tion Research and Education Consortium, Oregon State University, cities, counties and per-
35 sons in the tire industry.**

1 “(3) The department shall report the findings of the study to the 2015 regular session of
2 the Legislative Assembly in the manner prescribed by ORS 192.245.

3 “SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2013 Act is repealed on January 2, 2016.

4 “SECTION 3. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
5 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect
6 on its passage.”.

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