House Bill 2311

Sponsored by Representative READ (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

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Adds criteria used to select projects within Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 184.621.

4 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 184.621 is amended to read:

184.621. The Oregon Transportation Commission shall work with stakeholders to review and update the criteria used to select projects within the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. When revising the project selection criteria the commission shall consider whether the project:

- (1) Improves the state highway system or major access routes to the state highway system on the local road system to relieve congestion by expanding capacity, enhancing operations or otherwise improving travel times within high-congestion corridors.
- (2) Enhances the safety of the traveling public by decreasing traffic crash rates, promoting the efficient movement of people and goods and preserving the public investment in the transportation system.
- (3) Increases the operational effectiveness and reliability of the existing system by using technological innovation, providing linkages to other existing components of the transportation system and relieving congestion.
 - (4) Is capable of being implemented to reduce the need for additional highway projects.
- (5) Improves the condition, connectivity and capacity of freight-reliant infrastructure serving the state.
- (6) Supports improvements necessary for this state's economic growth and competitiveness, accessibility to industries and economic development.
 - (7) Provides the greatest benefit in relation to project costs.
- (8) Fosters livable communities by demonstrating that the investment does not undermine sustainable urban development.
- (9) Enhances the value of transportation projects through designs and development that reflect environmental stewardship and community sensitivity.
- 29 (10) Is consistent with the state's greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals and reduces this 30 state's dependence on foreign oil.
 - (11) Improves the connectivity between different modes of transportation.
 - SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 184.621 by section 1 of this 2013 Act apply to

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