

**Enrolled**  
**House Bill 2918**

Sponsored by Representatives NATHANSON, GREENLICK; Representatives BARKER,  
BARNHART, DOHERTY, FREDERICK, GELSER, Senators EDWARDS, MONROE

CHAPTER .....

AN ACT

Relating to the Cascades Rail Corridor; and declaring an emergency.

Whereas it is in the interest of this state to manage the development and operation of passenger rail services within the Cascades Rail Corridor between Eugene, Oregon, and Vancouver, British Columbia, cooperatively with the State of Washington and the Province of British Columbia; now, therefore,

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

**SECTION 1.** (1) The Department of Transportation may enter into agreements with the Washington State Department of Transportation and the British Columbia Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to:

- (a) Develop a plan to document the shared vision, goals and objectives for passenger rail service within the Cascades Rail Corridor.
- (b) Develop a plan to achieve performance goals, manage fleet assets, share costs, prioritize investments and resolve interagency disputes.
- (c) Propose funding options to the respective legislative bodies to support the operation of passenger trains within the corridor.
- (d) Develop a stakeholder outreach program.
- (e) Oversee operations and marketing of daily passenger rail service in the corridor.

(2) The Department of Transportation may enter into agreements with the Washington State Department of Transportation to coordinate state rail plans.

**SECTION 2.** Before January 1 of each odd-numbered year, the Department of Transportation shall report to the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided in ORS 192.245 about the following:

- (1) The status of agreements with the Washington State Department of Transportation and the British Columbia Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding the Cascades Rail Corridor.
- (2) The performance of passenger rail service within the corridor.
- (3) The financial status of the corridor and financial needs for passenger rail service within the corridor.

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

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Ramona J. Line, Chief Clerk of House

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