

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2277**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “tires;” delete the rest of the
2 line and insert “and 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**
5 **submit a report on the impact of the use of studded tires on the cost**
6 **of maintaining highways as defined in ORS 366.005. The report must**
7 **include:**

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

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

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

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

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

1 “(f) A review of recent studies conducted in other states regarding
2 the need for studded tires to provide traction in winter driving condi-
3 tions.

4 “(g) A discussion of recent improvements in traction tire design and
5 whether the improvements reduce damage to highways.

6 “(h) A description of different types of traction tires and traction
7 devices used in different regions of this state.

8 “(i) Recommended alternative measures that road authorities could
9 implement to reduce the use of studded tires while maintaining safe
10 driving conditions, including educating the public about alternatives
11 to studded tires.

12 “(j) The anticipated annual cost of alternative measures that road
13 authorities may implement to maintain safe driving conditions as a
14 result of a ban on studded tires.

15 “(k) A review of recent studies conducted in other states regarding
16 the frequency of motor vehicle crashes as a result of a ban on studded
17 tires and the costs associated with an increase or decrease in the fre-
18 quency of crashes.

19 “(2) In conducting the study, the department shall consult with the
20 Oregon Transportation Research and Education Consortium, Oregon
21 State University, cities, counties and persons in the tire industry.

22 “(3) The department shall report the findings of the study to the
23 2015 regular session of the Legislative Assembly in the manner pre-
24 scribed by ORS 192.245.

25 “SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2013 Act is repealed on January 2,
26 2016.

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

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