CLEAN ENGINES, CLEAN AIR ACT 2017:

A Mix of Incentives and Standards to Help Transition Away from High-Polluting Older Diesel Engines

SECTION BY SECTION OVERVIEW

1. <u>"Whereases"</u>

• Establish public health need for the program.

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- Articulate strategy of hastening timeline for conversion to newer (i.e., post-2006), cleaner on-road and off-road engines. (Starting in 2007, federal law required all newly-built engines to meet health standards.)
- 2. <u>1% for Clean Diesel in Public Contracts</u> (Sections 1-4)
 - 1% of state-funded construction-bond projects (costing more than \$2 million in total, with 30% funded by the state) MAY go into helping contractors meet clean engine goals through retrofits or engine replacements.
 - At discretion of local government.
 - Intended to help small contractors comply with clean diesel goals set by local governments.
 - Sunsets in 2028.
- 3. <u>Oregon Clean Diesel Program (Definitions)</u> (Section 5-6)
 - Provides definitions of relevant on-road and off-road engines and replacement/repower/retrofit strategies.
- 4. <u>School Buses</u> (Section 7)
 - Modifies ORS 468A.796 (from HB 2795, 2009) to extend January 1, 2017 sunset on school bus <u>retrofits</u> to coincide with 2025 <u>replacement</u> deadline for school bus fleets.
 - If we don't make this change, districts lose the option to retrofit—will have no choice but to replace, a more expensive option and one not appropriate for all districts.
- 5. <u>Nonroad Diesel Engine Inventory</u> (Sections 8-10)
 - Partnering with AGC and ODOT, conduct an inventory of off-road equipment by July 1, 2018.
 - Will allow us to ascertain current volume, location, and age of off-road diesel engines.
 - Will allow us to have similar information to that which we receive from ODOT with respect to registered on-road vehicles.

- Exempts those industries (e.g., agriculture, forestry) that are exempted from the California off-road program, which we are required to follow by the Clean Air Act.
- 6. <u>Nonroad Diesel Engine Registration Program</u> (Sections 11-13)
 - The above inventory will be followed by a registration program for off-road equipment (on-road already register through ODOT).
 - Intention is for program to become operative January 1, 2020.
 - Modest registration fees adequate to operate the program.
 - Exempts the same equipment exempted from the inventory.
- 7. <u>Diesel Engine Emission Standards</u> (Sections 14-16)
 - Starting January 1, 2018, businesses will no longer be able to add pre-2007 engines (on-road and off-road) to their fleets. Purpose is to assure that older, dirtier engines don't come into the state and into high-risk areas of the state.
 - DEQ will be authorized to allow extensions where needed.
 - Again, does not include equipment in those off-road industries exempted under the California program.
 - Starting January 1, 2028 (ten years after the effective date of this bill), all onroad and off-road fleets must be compliant with clean diesel standards (i.e., built 2007 and later).
 - Again, DEQ authorized to allow extensions and other forms of flexibility.
 - Again, does not include off-road equipment exempted under the California program.

8. <u>Clean Diesel Engine Fund Uses</u> (Sections 17-25)

- Creates the Clean Diesel Engine Fund, initially filled with dollars from the VW Settlement (approximately \$80 million) and lays out priorities and requirements for awards.
 - a. First distributions will go to School Bus Retrofits and Replacements in order to meet or exceed the deadline in statute (see #4 above).
 - b. Subsequent distributions will prioritize areas of known health risk and high emissions) will be considered first.
 - c. Then, other factors will be considered (e.g., fleet size, MWESB/DBE, ability to leverage outside dollars).
 - d. Likely targets after school buses: refuse/recycling trucks, local delivery trucks, drayage trucks, transit, airport ground support equipment, local government vehicles.
 - e. Repowers and replacements may involve conversions to other, cleaner fuels, such as compressed natural gas, biogas, and electricity (Alternative fuels called out in Section 6, Definitions.)

- 9. <u>Repeals State Preemption on Truck Idling (Section 26)</u>
 - The preemption repeal remains in the -2 amendments, but a work group is working on a plan to maintain the preemption while modernizing current state policy (in ORS 825.615).
 - Intention is to <u>maintain</u> the preemption, but include the updates coming out of this work group in the next set of amendments.
- 10. <u>Conforming Amendments</u> (Section 27)
- 11. <u>Appropriation</u> (Section 28)
 - To fund the off-road engine inventory.
- 12. <u>Captions</u> (Section 29)
- 13. <u>Operative Date</u> (Section 30)
 - January 1, 2018
- 14. <u>Emergency Clause</u> (Section 31)