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To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Public Safety Subcommittee

Re: HB 2131 Relating to safe transport of hazardous materials

Representative Smith Warner: "HB 2131 addresses the safe transport of hazardous materials by rail. It includes rail with other transporters of oil who submit environmental contingency plans to the Department of Environmental Quality, expands the responsibility of the Office of the State Fire Marshal for conducting hazardous material spill training and exercises, and requires rail carriers to demonstrate proof of financial responsibility to pay for cleaning up worst-case spills.

The Public Safety subcommittee approved amendments that clarify language, add confidentiality requirements for information that is provided to DEQ, appropriate \$318,044 to the Oregon State Police/Office of the State Fire Marshal for training, and add \$600,000 of Other Funds expenditure limitation to DEQ for the planning requirements in the measure.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends HB 2131 be amended by the –A12 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended."