

SB 413 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Transportation

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows governing bodies of cities and counties to jointly form districts to acquire, design, construct, reconstruct, install, operate, and maintain limited-access public highway projects within the joint district. Describes process for creating districts. Outlines general powers of limited-access public highway projects and contracts, agreements, and other arrangements that can be entered. Provides conditions under which county may deny or approve application for limited-access public highway.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Increased congestion near the Portland-Metropolitan area has resulted in increased congestion on local arterials to bypass congestion on I-5 and I-205. In 2017, House Bill 3231 was introduced with similar language allowing local cities and counties to form districts to create and fund limited-access public highway projects. In Colorado, the Public Highway Authority Act (1987) allowed the E-470 Public Highway Authority to design and operate the toll highway without using state or federal funding or taxes.

Senate Bill 413 allows cities and counties to form joint districts to establish, design, finance, implement, and operate limited-access highway projects.