

House Bill 2603

Sponsored by Representatives NATHANSON, GORSEK; Representatives GREENLICK, HOLVEY, LIVELY, NOBLE, PILUSO, POWER, SALINAS, SANCHEZ, WILDE, Senators GELSER, MANNING JR (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs Department of Transportation to study train delays and report on findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to transportation on or before September 15, 2020.
Sunsets January 2, 2021.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to rail transportation.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Transportation shall study train delays. As part of**
5 **the study, the department shall:**

6 **(a) Identify length of freight trains;**

7 **(b) Identify length of sidings;**

8 **(c) Identify train delays for freight trains that are caused by other slow or stopped**
9 **trains; and**

10 **(d) Work with Amtrak Cascades to identify and track causes of passenger train delays**
11 **due to freight train interference. The department shall provide information that details the**
12 **causes of passenger train delays including but not limited to delays due to mechanical fail-**
13 **ure, timing of passage and following at low speeds.**

14 **(2) The department shall present the results of the study, along with any recommended**
15 **legislative changes, in a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related**
16 **to transportation in the manner provided under ORS 192.245 on or before September 15, 2020.**

17 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2019 Act is repealed on January 2, 2021.**
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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.