

Now is the time to pass the Safe Routes for All act (SB 395) and make good on our promises and achieve our vision for safer streets for all! This act is IMPERATIVE to decrease carbon emissions immediately and prevent the worst consequences of the Climate Crisis. It's also necessary to provide fair and equal access to resources like grocery stores and places of work and ensure that all Portlanders are able to safely travel the city.

I personally do not own a car and need to be able to get around Portland safely without one. This bill will directly help ensure that our neighborhood is less polluted, that we are able to safely and efficiently get to work (right now we have to take a roundabout route due to many streets not being suitable for bikes). It is common sense and quite frankly is immoral to continue to sit in the pocket of the car, oil, and gas industries and suffocate your constituents to fill your own pockets. We won't stand for it any longer!

SB 395 will provide:

- Increased share of state highway funds invested in walking and biking from 1% to 5%
- Expanding the requirement for investments in walking and biking to include road resurfacing projects
- Exempt small projects where costs of walking and biking improvements would exceed 20% of the total project
- Ensure transparency through an annual report on the use of funds

Safe Routes for All will have clear benefits:

- Increased safety for those walking and rolling
- Equitable access to safe ways to walk and roll, including for BIPOC Communities, older adults, and students
- Economic boost to our state and local economies
- Reduced traffic congestion and carbon emissions
- Greater connectivity to Oregon's beautiful natural spaces

Please vote YES on SB 395, and let's build Safe Routes for all Oregonians.

Sincerely,
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