A-Engrossed
House Bill 3224

Ordered by the House May 18
Including House Amendments dated May 18

Sponsored by Representative ANDERSEN, Senator PATTERSON; Representatives EVANS, MANNIX

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.

Requires Cherriots to collaborate with Department of Transportation, Department of Environmental Quality, local community members, economists and business leaders [Department of Transportation, State Department of Energy and Department of Environmental Quality to collaborate with City of Salem and mass transit agencies] to study feasibility of developing rail streetcar system in City of Salem. Directs [agencies] Cherriots to submit findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to transportation not later than January 1, 2025.

Sunsets January 2, 2026.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to Cherriots for study.

[Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.]

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to a streetcar system in the City of Salem; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) Cherriots, the Salem Area Mass Transit District, shall collaborate with the Department of Transportation, the Department of Environmental Quality, community members in the City of Salem and economists and business leaders in the City of Salem to study the feasibility of developing a rail streetcar system in the City of Salem.

(2) Cherriots shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to transportation no later than January 1, 2025.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2026.

SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of $250,000, which may be distributed to Cherriots for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 1 of this 2023 Act.

SECTION 4. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.

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.

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