Senate Bill 815

Sponsored by Senators BONHAM, GORSEK, Representative HELFRICH; Senator HANSELL, Representatives BOSHART DAVIS, RUIZ

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.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Oregon Department of Administrative Services for expenses related to Bridge of the Gods seismic strengthening.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to the Bridge of the Gods; and declaring an emergency.
- Whereas the Bridge of the Gods is the only interstate bridge between Portland and Hood River to provide passage over the Columbia River; and
- Whereas the Bridge of the Gods is a key transportation link that serves the northern Oregon regional economy; and
- Whereas the Bridge of the Gods is in a location that has been identified as seismically vulnerable; and
- Whereas the Bridge of the Gods is in need of seismic strengthening in order to continue to provide safe and reliable service for the region; now, therefore,
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. 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 \$6,000,000, for distribution to the Port of Cascade Locks for the Bridge of the Gods seismic strengthening project.
 - <u>SECTION 2.</u> 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 July 1, 2023.

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