

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Department of Transportation Commercial Driver License Compliance

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Hansell

On March 9th, the Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommended approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Department of Transportation to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration in the amount of \$1,010,000 for commercial driver license skill enhancement and compliance activities.

If awarded, the grant will fund improvements to ODOT's commercial driver license testing program by updating exams to test skills, knowledge of new technologies within the industry, safety maneuvers, and manuals. \$570,000 of the requested funding would be used to update ODOT's information technology capability, allowing access to a federal Drug and Alcohol clearinghouse to ensure that applicants have complied with drug and alcohol testing regulations. No matching funds are required.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends approval.