

SENATE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

November 19, 2025
02:30 PM

Hearing Room E

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Chris Gorsek, Chair
Sen. Suzanne Weber, Vice-Chair
Sen. Lew Frederick
Sen. Khanh Pham

MEMBER(S) EXCUSED: Sen. Bruce Starr

STAFF PRESENT: Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst
Isabel Hernandez, Sr. Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS: Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

MEASURES/ISSUES: Adoption of Committee Rules – Organizational Meeting
Introduction of Committee Members – Organizational Meeting
Status Report on Public Transit in Oregon – Informational Meeting
Overview of Committee and Member Legislative Concepts – Informational Meeting
Overview of Federal Policy and Funding Changes Impacting Transportation – Informational Meeting

00:00:04 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:05 Chair Gorsek

00:00:28 **Adoption of Committee Rules - Organizational Meeting**

00:00:29 Chair Gorsek

00:00:32 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst

00:01:31 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR WEBER MOVES ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE RULES

00:02:02 VOTE: 4-0-1

AYE: FREDERICK, PHAM, WEBER, GORSEK
EXCUSED: STARR

00:02:27 **Introduction of Committee Members - Informational Meeting**

00:02:28 Chair Chris Gorsek, Senate District 25

00:02:35 Sen. Khanh Pham, Senate District 23

00:03:15 Vice-Chair Suzanne Weber, Senate District 16

00:04:23 Sen. Lew Frederick, Senate District 22

00:05:43 Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst

00:06:26 **Status Report on Public Transit in Oregon - Informational Meeting**
00:06:27 Chair Gorsek
00:07:23 JC Vannatta, Chief Public Affairs Officer, TriMet
00:16:58 Sen. Pham
00:17:50 Vice-Chair Weber
00:20:43 Sen. Frederick
00:24:33 Amy Schlappi, Executive Director, Hood River County Transportation District, Columbia Area Transit (CAT)
00:31:10 Art Guzzetti, Vice President for Policy and Mobility, American Public Transportation Association
00:43:50 Michelle Carson, Transit Program Manager, Klamath Tribes; Board Member, Oregon Transit Association (OTA)
00:52:20 Scott Chancey, Josephine County
01:00:40 Kane Lester, Transportation Program Manager, Community Connections of Northeast Oregon, Inc.; Board Member, OTA

01:04:55 **Overview of Committee and Member Legislative Concepts - Informational Meeting**
01:04:56 Chair Gorsek
01:05:15 Indi Namkoong, Transportation Justice Coordinator, Verde
01:05:32 Brett Morgan, Oregon Transportation Policy Director, Climate Solutions
01:21:11 Sen. Pham
01:24:11 Vice-Chair Weber

01:24:50 **Overview of Federal Policy and Funding Changes Impacting Transportation - Informational Meeting**
01:24:51 Chair Gorsek
01:25:14 Susan Peithman, Climate Program Director, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)
01:33:35 Rachel Sakata, Transportation Strategies Section Manager, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
01:41:12 Elizabeth Turnbull, Director of Policy and Regulatory Affairs, Alliance for Transportation Electrification (ATE)
01:48:47 Sen. Frederick
01:50:14 Jeff Alen, Executive Director, Forth
01:59:42 Sen. Pham
02:01:21 Vice-Chair Weber
02:06:09 Meeting Adjourned