

# SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

## **Department of Transportation Railroad Safety**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee  
From: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee  
Carrier: Representative Cate

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On January 28th, the Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee heard a request from the Oregon Department of Transportation for retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application.

The Department will utilize the grant funds to support its rail safety inspection program. The funding will by support expenses for training, travel, and equipment to enable state inspectors to complete the field and classroom training required to maintain certification for enforcing federal railroad safety regulations.

The Department submitted timely notice to the Legislature of its intent to apply, but it fell after the timeline for the December Emergency Board. No matching funds are required for the grant.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends retroactive approval of the submission of a federal grant application by the Department of Transportation to the Federal Railroad Administration, in the amount of \$75,300, for the rail safety inspection program.