

Enrolled
Senate Bill 1556

Sponsored by Senator MONNES ANDERSON; Senators BEYER, DEVLIN, EDWARDS, OLSEN, STEINER HAYWARD, Representatives BARKER, BOONE, BUCKLEY, DEMBROW, DOHERTY, FREDERICK, HOLVEY, HOYLE, HUNT, KENY-GUYER, KOMP, KOTEK, MATTHEWS, NATHANSON, ROBLAN, TOMEI (Pre-session filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to contract preferences for federally funded transit projects; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2012 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 279A.

SECTION 2. (1) Notwithstanding provisions of law that require a contracting agency to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder or best proposer or provider of a quotation, a contracting agency that receives and uses funds from the federal government or an agency of the federal government for a transit project may give preference to a bidder or proposer that exceeds federal Buy America requirements that apply to federally funded transit projects, as permitted under 49 C.F.R. 661.21 as that regulation existed on the effective date of this 2012 Act.

(2) The Department of Transportation, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and the Attorney General may adopt rules under ORS 279A.065 and establish policies and procedures to implement subsection (1) of this section.

SECTION 3. This 2012 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2012 Act takes effect on its passage.

Passed by Senate February 17, 2012

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Robert Taylor, Secretary of Senate

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Peter Courtney, President of Senate

Passed by House February 27, 2012

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Bruce Hanna, Speaker of House

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Arnie Roblan, Speaker of House

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