

Testimony in Support of HB 2310

House Transportation and Economic Development Committee

February 21, 2013

Good afternoon Chair Read and members of the committee. I am Marshall Coba representing the American Council of Engineering Companies of Oregon. ACEC Oregon has more than 110 member firms and 3,500 employees in our membership. I am here today in support of HB 2310.

ACEC Oregon has long advocated for innovative and significant investment in Oregon's infrastructure. Our members know all too well the failing state of Oregon's and America's transportation system. Investment is need to expand and maintain our current system and to take advantage of opportunities to leverage private and public dollars. We need to continue good programs that are instrumental in helping to design and construct good projects that help Oregon better position ourselves for economic recovery while providing jobs in the short term.

Connect Oregon has proven to be a good investment of public funds. ACEC Oregon is pleased to support this legislation and any other that will continue to invest in the quality design, construction and maintenance of Oregon's aging infrastructure while helping to improve the efficiency and safety of our multimodal transportation system.

We urge your support of HB 2310.

Thank you.