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## **Measure Description:**

Increases speed limit for certain vehicles on specified portions of certain highways.

## Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)

## Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2015-17 Biennium	2017-19 Biennium
Other Funds	735,000	
Total Funds	\$735,000	\$0
Positions		
FTE		

## Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis: This bill would designate higher speeds on the following segments of highway in Oregon:

- I-84 east of The Dalles 70 mph for vehicles other than trucks, buses, school buses and school activity buses, church activity buses and worker transportation buses; 65 mph for trucks, buses, etc.
- US 95 between the Idaho state line and the California state line 70 mph for vehicles other than trucks, buses, school buses and school activity buses, church activity buses and worker transportation buses; 65 mph for trucks, buses, etc.
- US 20 between Bend and Ontario 65 mph for vehicles other than trucks, buses, school buses and school activity buses, church activity buses and worker transportation buses; 60 mph for trucks, buses, etc.
- OR 197 & US 97 between The Dalles and Klamath Falls 65 mph for vehicles other than trucks, buses, school buses and school activity buses, church activity buses and worker transportation buses; 60 mph for trucks, buses, etc.
- OR 78 between Burns Junction and Burns 65 mph for vehicles other than trucks, buses, school buses and school activity buses, church activity buses and worker transportation buses; 60 mph for trucks, buses, etc.
- OR 395 between Burns and John Day 65 mph for vehicles other than trucks, buses, school buses and school activity buses, church activity buses and worker transportation buses; 60 mph for trucks, buses, etc.
- OR 205 between Burns and Frenchglen 65 mph for vehicles other than trucks, buses, school buses and school activity buses, church activity buses and worker transportation buses; 60 mph for trucks, buses, etc.

• OR 26 between John Day and Vale - 65 mph for vehicles other than trucks, buses, school buses and school activity buses, church activity buses and worker transportation buses; 60 mph for trucks, buses, etc.

The Oregon Department of Transportation estimates that approximately 370 speed limit signs would need to be replaced. The average cost to replace the speed limit signs would be \$1,716 each depending upon the location and configuration of the current signage. ODOT would also conduct speed studies on segments that are not currently 55 mph at a cost of \$100,000 OF. The total cost of the signage and studies is estimated to be \$735,000 OF.