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SUMMARY

Requires Governor to consult with metropolitan planning organization before appointing director to board of certain mass transit districts.

Increases number of directors on boards of directors of certain mass transit districts to 11 from seven. Establishes knowledge and experience requirements for additional directors.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to governance of mass transit districts; creating new provisions;
- amending ORS 267.010, 267.090, 267.095 and 267.097; and declaring an
- 4 emergency.

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- 5 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 6 **SECTION 1.** ORS 267.097 is amended to read:
- 7 267.097. Before appointing a director to the board of a district situated in
- 8 a metropolitan statistical area with a population exceeding [400,000]
- 9 **350,000**, the Governor shall:
- 10 (1) Solicit from each city and county located wholly or partly within the
- 11 subdistrict for which the appointment will be made recommendations of
- 12 qualified individuals for the position[.]; and
- 13 (2) Consult with a metropolitan planning organization, as defined
- 14 in ORS 197.629, that is operating in any part of the district, if such an
- 15 organization exists.
- SECTION 2. ORS 267.010 is amended to read:
- 17 267.010. As used in ORS 267.010 to 267.390, unless the context requires
- 18 otherwise:

- 1 before appointing the director described in this subparagraph.
- 2 (C) One director must be a person with a disability. The director
- 3 must be a regular user of mass transit services and must demonstrate
- 4 sufficient experience and knowledge to promote the interests of per-
- 5 sons with disabilities who use mass transit services in the district,
- 6 including paratransit services.
- 7 (D) One director must be a person who is a regular user of mass
- 8 transit services and who demonstrates sufficient experience and
- 9 knowledge to promote the interests of minority and low-income com-
- 10 munities within the district that may be affected by decisions made
- 11 by the board. The Governor shall consult with the Environmental
- 12 Justice Task Force established under ORS 182.538 before appointing the
- 13 director described in this subparagraph.
- 14 (d) It is the intent of the Legislative Assembly that the directors
- 15 appointed under paragraph (c) of this subsection represent and pro-
- 16 mote the interests of specific constituencies historically marginalized
- 17 or excluded from decision-making regarding public transportation.
- 18 (3) The term of office of a director is four years, but each director shall
- 19 serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Before the expiration of the term of
- 20 a director, the director's successor shall be appointed. A director is eligible
- 21 for reappointment. In case of a vacancy for any cause, the Governor shall
- 22 appoint a person to serve for the unexpired term. A director whose term has
- 23 expired shall continue to serve until the appointment of a successor unless
- 24 discharged by the Governor.
- 25 (4) All appointments of members of the board by the Governor are subject
- 26 to confirmation by the Senate pursuant to [section 4,] Article III, section
- 27 4, of the Oregon Constitution.
- SECTION 4. ORS 267.095 is amended to read:
- 29 267.095. Except as provided in ORS 267.112:
- 30 (1) Notwithstanding ORS 267.090, the terms of [three] five of the directors
- 31 of the first board of a district expire on the first Tuesday in the second

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- 1 January after the date of their appointment.
- 2 (2) The terms of [four] six of the directors so appointed expire on the first
- 3 Tuesday in the fourth January after the date of their appointment.
- 4 (3) The respective terms of the directors of the first board shall be de-
- 5 termined by the Governor.
- 6 SECTION 5. The amendments to ORS 267.090 and 267.095 by sections
- 7 3 and 4 of this 2017 Act become operative on January 1, 2018.
- 8 SECTION 6. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate pres-
- 9 ervation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is de-
- 10 clared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.

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