State-By-State Comparison: Recent Oil Train Bills

After a sharp rise in oil trains, West Coast states passed new legislation seeking oversight, which is severely limited by federal law. Here's a look at some of the key requirements for railroads.

	OR	WA	CA
Oversight Of Railroad Emergency Response Plans	NO	YES	YES
Tax On Oil-By-Rail To Fund State Planning	NO	YES	YES
Railroads Must Disclose Ability To Pay For Train Spill	NO	YES	YES
24-Hour Notice For Oil By Rail Shipments	NO	YES	NO

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