

Requested by Representative JOHNSON

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2749**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 28 and delete page
2 2 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Port of Hood River shall conduct a study of**
4 **the feasibility of replacing the Hood River-White Salmon Interstate**
5 **Bridge. The study must evaluate:**

6 **“(a) Environmental impacts;**

7 **“(b) Engineering requirements and design and construction options;**

8 **“(c) Costs and financing options; and**

9 **“(d) Project delivery methods and schedules.**

10 **“(2) The port shall report the findings of the study to the interim**
11 **committees of the Legislative Assembly related to transportation no**
12 **later than December 31, 2018. The report must include recommen-**
13 **dations for the next steps to be taken toward funding and constructing**
14 **a replacement bridge.**

15 **“SECTION 2. (1) For the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, at the**
16 **request of the Department of Transportation, the State Treasurer is**
17 **authorized to issue lottery bonds pursuant to ORS 286A.560 to 286A.585**
18 **in an amount that produces \$5 million in net proceeds and interest**
19 **earnings for the purposes described in subsection (2) of this section,**
20 **plus an additional amount estimated by the State Treasurer to be**
21 **necessary to pay bond-related costs.**

1 “(2) Net proceeds of lottery bonds issued under this section in an
2 amount sufficient to provide \$5 million in net proceeds and interest
3 earnings must be transferred to the Department of Transportation for
4 deposit in the DOT Economic Development Distributions Fund estab-
5 lished in ORS 461.557 for distribution to the Port of Hood River for the
6 purposes of carrying out the provisions of section 1 of this 2017 Act.

7 “(3) Lottery bonds authorized under this section must be issued no
8 later than June 30, 2018.

9 “(4) The Legislative Assembly finds that the Hood River-White
10 Salmon Interstate Bridge is a vital component in the economy of the
11 Hood River region due to its essential role in the movement of con-
12 sumers and freight, and that replacement of the bridge will lead to
13 increased business in the Hood River region and improved freight
14 mobility. The Legislative Assembly thereby finds that the use of lot-
15 tery bonds will create jobs and facilitate and encourage economic de-
16 velopment.

17 “SECTION 3. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate
18 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
19 declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.”.

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