

## HB 3378 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Natural Resources

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Appropriates \$1,500,000 from General Fund to Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to the Port of Cascade Locks for purpose of adding bicycle and pedestrian lane to the Bridge of the Gods. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

*FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, no statement yet issued*

*REVENUE: May have revenue impact, no statement yet issued*

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

##### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-1 Specifies that funds are distributed to the Port of Cascades for purpose of funding the engineering and design work necessary for adding a bicycle and pedestrian lane to the Bridge of the Gods.

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##### **BACKGROUND:**

The Bridge of the Gods is a toll bridge, spanning the Columbia River to connect SR-15 in Washington to I-84 in Oregon. The bridge is owned and operated by the Port of Cascade Locks in the city of Cascade Locks, Oregon. The bridge is open to pedestrian and bicycle traffic. Traffic crossings average about 1.6 million vehicles annually. The Pacific Crest Trail crosses the Columbia River on the Bridge of the Gods. In 2018, over 7,000 hikers used the bridge crossing.

House Bill 3378 would appropriate \$1,500,000 from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to the Port of Cascade Locks for the purpose of adding a bicycle and pedestrian lane to the Bridge of the Gods.