



House Bill 3392

HB 3392 creates the **“Short Line Railroad Resiliency Program”** to develop long-term funding for Oregon’s short line railroads. The SLRRP will invest in decreasing environmental impacts associated with transportation of freight, enhance capacity and integration of the rail networks, and help improve the resilience of the short lines of Oregon.

THE ELEMENTS OF HB 3392:

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Creates the “Short Line Railroad Resiliency Program (SLRRP)” in Business Oregon.

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Allows Business Oregon to convene a short line railroad advisory group.

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The advisory group will help the agency develop scoring criteria for reviewing and awarding grants under the program.

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The SLRRP will prioritize funding projects that:

- Provide a 25% match of the proposed project.
- Enhance Oregon’s short line rail network capacity.
- Improve Oregon’s integration of the short line rail network with the national rail network.
- Decrease the environmental impact associated with transportation of freight in Oregon.
- Improve the resiliency of Oregon’s short line railroads.
- Provide a positive economic impact.

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Allocates \$5 million lottery bond proceeds.

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The agency and advisory group will conduct a study and make recommendations for legislation to provide a long-term revenue source for the SLRRP.