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To: Capital Construction Subcommittee

From: Michelle Deister, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: February 25, 2022

Subject: HB 4139 – Relating to reductions of greenhouse gas emissions in the state’s transportation system
Work Session Recommendations

HB 4139 requires the Department of Transportation (ODOT) to establish a program that assesses greenhouse gas emissions attributable to certain materials used in construction and maintenance activities for the state’s transportation system and to conduct related life-cycle assessments. The measure also will require ODOT to have contractors submit product declarations for certain materials, with exceptions. The measure creates a technical advisory committee and requires reports to the Transportation Commission and the Legislative Assembly.

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the -A4 amendment. The amendment provides Other Funds expenditure limitation to ODOT of \$236,219 to implement the measure, sufficient to support a professional engineer and an engineering specialist to manage the technical advisory committee, rulemaking and analyses, and to coordinate work across regions. The positions will be supported by State Highway Funds.

The amendment also establishes the Medium and Heavy-Duty Electrification Charging Fund within DEQ for a grant program supporting medium and heavy-duty zero emission vehicle charging and fueling infrastructure projects. Moneys in the fund would be continuously appropriated to DEQ and no more than 10% of moneys deposited in the fund per biennium could be used for administrative expenses the grant program. Resources for the grant program are expected to be included in HB 5202, the omnibus budget measure.

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 4139, as amended by the -A4 amendment, to be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

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