

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3622

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Including House Amendments dated May 24

Sponsored by Representative MCLAIN, Senators GORSEK, FREDERICK, Representatives GRAYBER, HELFRICH, HUDSON, PHAM K, REYNOLDS, Senator BONHAM; Representatives DEXTER, LEWIS, MANNIX, NELSON, NOSSE, SMITH G, Senator FINDLEY

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Directs state agencies to distribute moneys to local entities for specified bridge projects. Authorizes general obligation bonding for bridge projects.]

Expresses commitment of Legislative Assembly to support specified bridge projects through investments of specified amounts.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to bridges; and declaring an emergency.

3 Whereas the Hood River-White Salmon Interstate Bridge, the Bridge of the Gods and Burnside
4 Bridge are key transportation links serving the Oregon economy; and

5 Whereas those bridges are in need of replacement, modernization and seismic improvement in
6 order to improve traffic flow, reduce congestion and travel times and enhance safety for all users;
7 and

8 Whereas bridge projects will create numerous job opportunities and stimulate economic growth
9 by attracting new businesses and improving the efficiency of freight movement; and

10 Whereas state funding for bridge projects enables matching funds and enhances opportunities
11 for future funding, including federal funding; now, therefore,

12 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

13 **SECTION 1. The Legislative Assembly commits to support the Hood River-White Salmon**
14 **Interstate Bridge replacement project through an investment of \$20,000,000 in the biennium**
15 **beginning July 1, 2023.**

16 **SECTION 2. The Legislative Assembly commits to support the Bridge of the Gods seismic**
17 **strengthening project through an investment of \$6,000,000 in the biennium beginning July 1,**
18 **2023.**

19 **SECTION 3. The Legislative Assembly commits to support the Earthquake Ready**
20 **Burnside Bridge project through an investment of \$20,000,000 in the biennium beginning July**
21 **1, 2023.**

22 **SECTION 3a. Before making any distribution required under section 5 of this 2023 Act,**
23 **the Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall enter into an agreement with**
24 **Multnomah County that obligates Multnomah County to report to the interim Joint Com-**
25 **mittee on Transportation, during the interim between the 2024 and 2025 regular sessions of**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **the Legislative Assembly, on the progress of the Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge project.**

2 **SECTION 4. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**

3 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect**

4 **July 1, 2023.**

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