SB 458   STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Transportation

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Oregon Department of Transportation to conduct a review of a specified portion of U.S. Highway 30 and report results of findings to the Joint Committee on Transportation no later than September 15, 2026. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die; sunsets January 2, 2027.

FISCAL: Fiscal impact issued on original measure
REVENUE: "Revenue lite" issued on original measure

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Safety concerns related to age and condition of road and deferred maintenance
- Statistics on crashes and fatalities in corridor
- Instances of landslides
- Impacts on local and regional business

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

U.S. Highway 30 is a major east-west main route of the nation's numbered highway system. The highway stretches from Astoria on the Pacific Coast to Atlantic City, New Jersey on the Atlantic Coast, covering approximately 3.112 miles, making the highway the third longest in the United States behind U.S. Highway 20 and U.S. Highway 6. HIghway 30 has major junctions in Pocatello, Idaho, Cheyenne, Wyoming, Ames, Iowa, Joliet, Illinois, Merrillville, Indiana, Beaverdam, Ohio, Canton, Ohio, Breezewood, Pennsylvania, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Much of the historic Lincoln Highway, the first road to cross the United States (from New York City to San Francisco, California) later became part of U.S. 30. It shares portions of I-405, I-5, and I-84, the latter of which is responsible for most of the mileage in Oregon.

Senate Bill 458 designates the portion of U.S. Highway 30 between milepost 49 and ending at milepost 94, as an area that is to be the subject of a safety review by the Oregon Department of Transportation. The study is to determine deficiencies on the corridor, recommendations for improving the conditions on the corridor and a cost estimate for the recommended improvements.