

Senate Bill 636

Sponsored by Senator BONHAM (Pre-session filed.)

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 **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act would require the Department of Transportation to study the creation of a road usage charge to ensure that electric and hybrid vehicles pay their fair share for the wear they cause to Oregon highways. The Act would require a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.6).

Requires the Department of Transportation to study the creation of a road usage charge to ensure that electric and hybrid motor vehicles pay their equitable share for the wear they cause to the highways in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to transportation no later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets January 2, 2027.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to payment for use of the roads by electric motor vehicles.

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

4 **SECTION 1. The Department of Transportation shall conduct a study of the creation of**
5 **a road usage charge, administered by a private sector partner, to ensure that electric and**
6 **hybrid motor vehicles pay their equitable share for the wear they cause to the highways in**
7 **Oregon. The department shall submit a report of its findings to the interim committees of**
8 **the Legislative Assembly related to transportation in the manner provided under ORS 192.245**
9 **no later than September 15, 2026.**

10 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2025 Act is repealed on January 2, 2027.**
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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.