

Submitter: Toby Hodges
On Behalf Of:
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3231

Dear Joint Committee on Transport,

My name is Toby Hodges, and I am writing in strong support of HB 3231, which requires the passenger rail plan to include strategies for upgrading and improving railroad tracks, enhancing infrastructure and capacity, and detailing federal grants sought and received.

A transparent plan to fund passenger rail network upgrades and improvement is essential for ensuring reliable, effective, and sustainable transportation across our region. Investing in track upgrades and capacity expansion will not only improve safety and service reliability but also accommodate and even generate growing demand for passenger rail, reducing congestion on highways and cutting carbon emissions.

I urge you to support this measure and prioritize investments that will enhance sustainable transit options in passenger rail service for generations to come.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Toby Hodges
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