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I am concerned about funding for the North Portland emergency route. In an emergency, the neighborhood of St. Johns could be cut off from the rest of the city. We need funds to design a stronger bridge over the railway cut that could withstand a major earthquake. I am especially concerned about the chance that we might need to escape toxic fumes coming from the industrial area and have no way to do so. I urge the legislature to put funds in this bill to strengthen the bridges over the railway cut and protect us in the 30% chance there is a major earthquake in the next 30 years.