

A-Engrossed House Bill 4126

Ordered by the House February 18
Including House Amendments dated February 18

Sponsored by Representatives GAMBA, RIEKE SMITH; Representatives ANDERSEN, MUNOZ, Senators FREDERICK, GOLDEN, MEEK, NERON MISSLIN, PHAM K (Presession 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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act would have ODOT biennially recommend a rate for the per-mile road usage charge that would raise the money needed to keep up the highways in this state. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).

Requires the Department of Transportation to submit a biennial report to the Legislative Assembly recommending a rate for the per-mile road usage charge that would sustainably raise the revenue necessary to maintain the public highways in this state.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to road usage charges; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2026 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 319.883 to**
5 **319.946.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) Not later than September 15 of each even-numbered year, the Depart-**
7 **ment of Transportation shall submit a report, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, to the**
8 **interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to transportation, that recommends**
9 **a rate for the per-mile road usage charge that would sustainably raise the revenue necessary**
10 **to maintain the public highways of this state.**

11 **(2) The report must include:**

12 **(a) The total estimated cost for maintenance and preservation of Oregon's transportation**
13 **system, including for local systems; and**

14 **(b) An estimate of the total vehicle miles driven on the public highways of this state**
15 **based on the most recently available data on vehicle miles traveled, set forth separately ac-**
16 **ording to the following weight table:**

17 **(A) Vehicles weighing 10,000 pounds or less.**

18 **(B) Vehicles weighing more than 10,000 pounds and not more than 12,000 pounds.**

19 **(C) Vehicles weighing more than 12,000 pounds and not more than 14,000 pounds.**

20 **(D) Vehicles weighing more than 14,000 pounds and not more than 16,000 pounds.**

21 **(E) Vehicles weighing more than 16,000 pounds and not more than 18,000 pounds.**

22 **(F) Vehicles weighing more than 18,000 pounds and not more than 20,000 pounds.**

23 **(G) Vehicles weighing more than 20,000 pounds and not more than 22,000 pounds.**

24 **(H) Vehicles weighing more than 22,000 pounds and not more than 24,000 pounds.**

25 **(I) Vehicles weighing more than 24,000 pounds and not more than 26,000 pounds.**

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 (J) Vehicles weighing more than 26,000 pounds.

2 (3) For purposes of subsection (2)(a) of this section, the department shall establish met-
3 rics by which maintenance and preservation needs are evaluated and reported, including but
4 not limited to:

5 (a) The desired pavement condition index for each road type;

6 (b) Striping and painting standards;

7 (c) Bridge replacement timelines; and

8 (d) The department's administrative costs associated with these maintenance and pres-
9 ervation needs.

10 **SECTION 3.** Notwithstanding the due date for submission of reports under section 2 (1)
11 of this 2026 Act, the Department of Transportation shall submit the first report that is due
12 after the effective date of this 2026 Act not later than January 31, 2027.

13 **SECTION 4.** This 2026 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
14 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2026 Act takes effect
15 on its passage.
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