

HB 4008-2  
(LC 257)  
2/3/26 (HE/ps)

Requested by Representative BOSHART DAVIS

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 4008**

1       On page 2 of the printed bill, delete lines 10 through 14 and insert:

2       “(3) The task force shall:

3       “(a) Determine the level of funding needed to maintain adequate transit

4       service statewide that is reliable, safe and accessible and allows for popu-

5       lation growth over time;

6       “(b) Explore funding mechanisms to achieve the funding needs determined

7       in paragraph (a) of this subsection;

8       “(c) Gather information about the farebox recovery ratio for each public

9       transportation entity operating in this state;

10       “(d) Explore methods that public transportation entities may use to in-

11       crease revenue by increasing fares;

12       “(e) Gather information about costs incurred by public transportation

13       entities that purchase buses powered by electric batteries and related

14       charging infrastructure;

15       “(f) Research the damage to highway pavement caused by the operation

16       of buses powered by electric batteries in contrast to the damage caused to

17       highway pavement by the operation of buses powered by diesel fuel; and

18       “(g) In lieu of the tax on wages imposed under ORS 320.550, research and

19       evaluate the costs and benefits of allowing local counties or transit districts

20       to impose their own tax on wages to pay for the costs of providing transit

21       services.”.

1       After line 44, insert:

2       “(15) As used in this section:

3       “(a) ‘Farebox recovery ratio’ means the financial metric used in public  
4       transportation to assess how much of the operating costs are met through  
5       fares paid by passengers using regularly scheduled service.

6       “(b) ‘Public transportation entity’ has the meaning given that term in  
7       ORS 184.675.”.

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