HOUSE BILL 2352

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By Representatives Kraft and Pike

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1 AN ACT Relating to the creation of an additional bridge between 2 southwest Washington and Oregon; creating a new section; making an 3 appropriation; and declaring an emergency.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

The legislature finds that an additional 5 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. 6 bridge or other connection between southwest Washington and Oregon 7 will benefit both the economy of southwest Washington and that of the entire state by reducing congestion and improving freight mobility on 8 9 Interstate 5. Therefore, the joint transportation committee must hire 10 a consultant to evaluate all available options for an additional 11 bridge or other connection west of Interstate 5 between southwest Washington and Oregon. The study must provide high-level conceptual 12 13 designs of the options put forth and include a cost estimate for each 14 option. The joint transportation committee must submit a report on the study to the transportation committees of the legislature by 15 16 December 1, 2018.

17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. The sum of three hundred thousand dollars, 18 or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the 19 fiscal biennium ending June 30, 2019, from the motor vehicle account 20 to the joint transportation committee for the purposes of this act. 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate 2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of 3 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes 4 effect immediately.

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