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## HOUSE BILL 1835

State of Washington 66th Legislature 2019 Regular Session

By Representatives Kraft, McCaslin, Shea, and Young
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- AN ACT Relating to the creation of an additional bridge between southwest Washington and Oregon; creating a new section; making an appropriation; and declaring an emergency.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- Sec. 1. The legislature finds that an additional 5 NEW SECTION. 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 Interstate 5. Therefore, the joint transportation committee must hire 9 10 a consultant to evaluate all available options for an additional 11 bridge or other connection west of Interstate 5 between southwest 12 Washington and Oregon. The study must provide high-level conceptual designs of the options put forth and include a cost estimate for each 13 option. The joint transportation committee must submit a report on 14 15 the study to the transportation committees of the legislature by 16 December 1, 2019.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The sum of three hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the fiscal biennium ending June 30, 2021, from the motor vehicle account to the joint transportation committee for the purposes of this act.

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<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately.

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