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**Legislation to Assist the International Port of Coos Bay's
Potential Pacific Coast Intermodal Terminal Passes the Oregon
Senate with Broad Bipartisan Support**

SALEM, Ore. – Today, Senator David Brock Smith (R-Port Orford) carried [House Bill 3382 B](#) on the Senate floor, a measure allowing local government to adopt limited land use exceptions within the jurisdiction of the International Port of Coos Bay for channel improvements.

“I appreciate all of the work that has gone into this bill and the support of my colleagues to move it forward,” **said Senator David Brock Smith (R-Port Orford)**. “With key investments by the state we achieved in another bill this session, House Bill 3382 is critical to having a streamlined clear process to allow the Port to alter its federal navigation channels to accommodate ships and attract both public and private investment.”

Maintaining a deep-water port requires periodic maintenance to ensure that a minimum depth is provided for shipping vessels. HB 3382 outlines circumstances under which a local government may adopt an exception to land use planning goals related to estuarine resources for the International Port of Coos Bay.

“The potential Pacific Coast Intermodal Terminal at the International Port of Coos Bay will bring billions in investments and thousands of jobs to southwest Oregon. Additionally, our producers will save considerable dollars in transportation costs, having a local facility for export, as well as our residents having goods delivered closer to home,” **concluded Senator Brock Smith**.

House Bill 3382 B now awaits a signature from the Governor.

Senator David Brock Smith represents Senate District 1, which includes Curry, Coos and Douglas Counties. This press release and an archive of previous press releases issued by Senator David Brock Smith’s office are available on the web at:

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