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Representative Vial Praised For Transportation Leadership

Will Continue Seeking Solutions To Oregon's Transportation Challenges

SALEM, OR — Today, Representative Rich Vial (R-Scholls) was informed by Representative Caddy McKeown (D-Coos Bay) that [HB 3231](#), which would have allowed cities and counties to jointly form special districts with the ability to plan, design, finance, construct, and operate limited-access public highway projects, would not be scheduled to receive a work session by the April 18th first chamber deadline. At the same time, Representative Vial, who serves as Vice Chair of the [House Committee on Transportation Policy](#), was praised by Chair McKeown for his efforts to enact meaningful legislation to address Oregon's transportation challenges.

"As a freshman legislator, Representative Vial has already proven himself to be a leader on transportation issues in the legislature, and he has demonstrated an ability to be innovative and forward-thinking," said McKeown.

Representative Vial thanked Representative McKeown for her partnership on these issues. "Our focus must now turn to passing a transportation package this session. I am committed to working with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to help make that happen, and to advance our shared priorities of fostering economic growth and community livability in all corners of the state," said Vial.

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