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Legislative Update – Coba's Capitol Comments

The long-awaited bill draft for the 2017 transportation package is expected to be ready for public viewing on Monday, May 29, Memorial Day. The bill, up to 400 pages, will include new taxes and fees to fund congestion relief, transit, Connect Oregon program, bike to school trails and a host of other new and beneficial projects. The size and scale of the proposal is not certain but is expected to be less than the \$8 billion over 10 years as some legislators have become concerned that the heft of the initial package could derail the entire deal.

The bill draft will be available at the Joint Committee on Transportation Preservation and Modernization at this website sometime on Monday. However, if there are drafting issues over the holiday weekend the unveil could be pushed back. Check here for the bill draft on Monday: <https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2017R1/Committees/JTPM/Overview>.

Public hearings are expected on June 5 and 7 with amendments being considered the following week and then to the House floor then to the Senate late in the session. May 31 will be an overview session with committee staff and the bill drafters going over the bill section by section.

ACEC members will have an opportunity to weigh-in during the public hearing process. Time, date and details will be announced in future Comments.

The first draft of the gross receipts tax was released this week and initial review by several ACEC members found that it is a significant increase in business taxation for engineering firms. We will engage in this discussion now that the bill is out and work to ensure legislators understand the circumstances that make this an especially onerous tax. The draft does not yet have a bill number but you can review the 111 page proposal here: <https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2017R1/Downloads/CommitteeMeetingDocument/130444>.

June 2 is the deadline for bills to be passed out of the second chamber committees and sent to the floor for consideration. Any bill left in committee after this date will be dead.

This deadline does not pertain to the Joint Transportation Committee, Ways and Means, Revenue committees or to the Rules committees.

Wednesday, June 21

→ [Click HERE](#) to register.

Click [here](#) to see a partial list of who's already signed up.



SCHEDULE

12:00 NOON – Check-in begins
1:30 P.M. – Shotgun start
6:30 P.M. – Social & dinner

WHERE

Langdon Farms Golf Club
24377 NE Airport Road
Aurora, OR 97002

It's time FORE! the...

Networking Day Golf Tournament – June 21

Bring your clients!

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Shotgun start, modified scramble. Scoring method is gross.
(Tournament director will group individuals and twosomes.)

Click [here](#) for more info, including pricing, and to register.

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UPCOMING

- Sept 14-16 – [ACEC OR + WA Fall Conference, Sunriver Resort, Central Oregon](#) – Reserve your room today!

ACEC Washington Upcoming Events – ACEC Oregon members receive the member rate!

- June 7 – [The Internet Age of Criminals](#) – ACEC WA Business Practice Breakfast
- June 13 – [ACEC WA & WSDOT Annual Joint Meeting](#)
- June 20 – [ACEC & SAME “Meet the Chiefs”](#)

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- June 7 – **SAME “Meet the Chiefs”** - RSVP to same.pdx.rsvp@gmail.com or call (503) 643-8710.

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