

**REVENUE: No revenue impact**

**FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued**

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass and Rescind the Subsequent Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means
<b>Vote:</b>	4 - 2 - 1
<b>Yeas:</b>	Boquist, Clem, Maurer, Roblan
<b>Nays:</b>	Dingfelder, Macpherson
<b>Exc.:</b>	Smith P.
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Beth Patrino, Administrator
<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	3/22, 4/12

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Specifies that public lands used for wildlife management purposes must be accessible for hunting, except as limited by the State Fish and Wildlife Commission for reasons of public safety or wildlife management. Requires the State Fish and Wildlife Director to submit an annual report to the Legislature that describes the acres of public lands used for wildlife management that have been closed by the commission to hunting and the reasons for the closures and the acres opened by the commission to hunting.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Loss of access to hunting on private lands
- Liability issue on private lands
- Similar statutes in other states

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** HB 3164 requires the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission, to the greatest extent practicable, to avoid making management decisions that result in a net loss of hunting on public lands used for wildlife management purposes. The bill requires the State Fish and Wildlife Director to submit an annual report to the Legislature that describes the number of acres of public lands used for wildlife management that have been closed to hunting and the number of acres that have been opened to hunting.