

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep. Clem  
Carrier – Senate: Sen. Devlin

Revenue: No revenue impact

Fiscal: Fiscal statement issued

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Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed A-Engrossed

Vote: 15 – 4 – 2

House – Yeas: D. Edwards, Galizio, Jenson, Nathanson, Nolan, Shields  
– Nays: Garrard, Morgan  
– Exc: Hanna

Senate – Yeas: Bates, Carter, Devlin, Gordly, Johnson, Nelson, Schrader, Westlund, Winters  
– Nays: Verger, Whitsett  
– Exc: Morse

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Meeting Date: 5/25/07

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Ratifies fee changes adopted by the Department of Environmental Quality and approved by the Department of Administrative Services. Fees were modified for wastewater permits, annual water quality permits, and air pollutant discharge fees.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- How fee modifications impact budget packages and the base budget
- Need to correct drafting errors

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Fix technical drafting errors.

**BACKGROUND:** ORS 291.055 (1)(3) requires the Legislative Assembly to ratify fees an agency implements during the prior biennium. The fee revenue is anticipated in the budget and described in detail in the budget binders for the Department of Agriculture.