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Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
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Yeas:	Beyer, Burley, Cannon, Macpherson, Smith G., Dingfelder0
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Meeting Dates:	5/21, 5/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes counties and metropolitan service districts to enter into intergovernmental agreements to designate rural reserves and urban reserves not included in urban growth boundaries (UGB). Modifies the process for designating urban reserves and directs the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC), in consultation with the Oregon Department of Agriculture, to adopt a process for designating rural and urban reserves. Specifies criteria for designating rural reserves, including the ability to develop appropriate urban densities and to use existing and future public infrastructure efficiently. Establishes that designated rural reserve land must be outside the current UGB and cannot be designated as an urban reserve until the end of the urban reserve planning period (40-50 years after designation of reserves). Provides that urban and rural reserves are to be designated concurrently through agreements between metropolitan service districts and a county. Provides that county designations of rural reserves be submitted to LCDC for periodic review. Provides that appeal of LCDC periodic review order on urban and rural reserves goes to Court of Appeals on same schedule as appeals to the Land Use Board of Appeals. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Problems with current system for designating urban and rural reserves
- Omission of requirement that DLCD consult Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) in addition to Department of Agriculture when designating rural reserves, and planned ODFW involvement in DLCD rulemaking workgroup

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Provides that rural reserves may not be brought into the urban reserves or urban growth boundaries until the end of the urban reserve planning period (40-50 years after designation of reserves). Provides that urban and rural reserves are to be designated concurrently through agreements between Metro and a county. Creates alternative process and criteria for designating urban reserves. Provides that county designations or rural reserves be submitted to LCDC for periodic review. Provides that appeal of LCDC periodic review order on urban and rural reserves goes to Court of Appeals on same schedule as appeals to the Land Use Board of Appeals.

BACKGROUND: The Portland region is expected to grow by more than one million people over the next 25 years. It is anticipated that to accommodate this growth the existing urban growth boundary (UGB) will need to expand. Proponents of Senate Bill 1011-B seek to create a process to designate rural reserves that they believe would provide greater long term protection for agriculture and forest industries and important natural landscape features by determining the locations where future urban development is likely or unlikely to occur.