

# House Bill 3224

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## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs State Parks and Recreation Department to enhance Eugene-Springfield Willamette River corridor in preparation for 2008 Olympic Track and Field Trials.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2007.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to 2008 Olympic Track and Field Trials; and declaring an emergency.

3       Whereas Eugene will host the 2008 Olympic Track and Field Trials at the University of  
4 Oregon's Hayward Field, one of the most revered sites in the sport; and

5       Whereas the Olympic Track and Field Trials are the largest national championship track meet  
6 in the world; and

7       Whereas more than 1,000 athletes are expected to compete for the right to represent Team USA  
8 at the Olympic Games; and

9       Whereas more than 350,000 fans attended the last two Olympic Track and Field Trials and more  
10 than 1,000 members of the media from around the world cover the event while thousands of volun-  
11 teers and officials provide support; and

12       Whereas this is an event of national significance with an economic impact and tourism oppor-  
13 tunities for the entire state; and

14       Whereas the Eugene-Springfield Willamette River corridor lacks adequate signage, adequate  
15 waste disposal and recycling receptacles to ensure the cleanliness of the area; and

16       Whereas enhancements are necessary for the Autzen footbridge, the main traffic route for visi-  
17 tors moving between events during the 2008 Olympic Track and Field Trials; now, therefore,

18 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

19       **SECTION 1. (1) In preparation for the 2008 Olympic Track and Field Trials, the State**  
20 **Parks and Recreation Department shall initiate projects to enhance, clean up, revitalize and**  
21 **ensure safety within the Eugene-Springfield Willamette River corridor.**

22       **(2) These projects shall include, but not be limited to:**

23       **(a) Improving lighting along the Willamette River bike paths;**

24       **(b) Placing permanent signage along the bike paths that direct visitors and tourists to**  
25 **areas of local interest and importance;**

26       **(c) Placing permanent signage related to environmental education topics along the bike**  
27 **paths;**

28       **(d) Ensuring that sufficient permanent recycling and waste disposal bins are available in**  
29 **the Eugene-Springfield Willamette River corridor;**

30       **(e) Cleaning up and enhancing the appearance of the Autzen footbridge;**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

- 1       **(f) Removing invasive species along the Willamette River and planting native plants; and**
- 2       **(g) Placing informational kiosks throughout the area.**

3       **SECTION 2.** **This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
4 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect**  
5 **July 1, 2007.**

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