House Bill 3494

Sponsored by Representative KRIEGER; Representatives BOONE, COWAN, GARRARD, GILLIAM, MINNIS, WITT

SUMMARY

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Authorizes State Department of Agriculture to receive and distribute grants for any purpose related to laws administered or enforced by department. Revises language regarding department contracts and agreements.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to the State Department of Agriculture; amending ORS 561.240.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 561.240 is amended to read:

561.240. (1) The State Department of Agriculture [is authorized to] may enter into contracts and agreements with, and [to] receive funds from, any department or agency of the United States. The department may enter into contracts and agreements with authorized departments and agencies of this state and other states, [and with counties, municipal corporations, other] units of local government, public and private corporations and other persons [of this state, in connection with the administration of laws of this state] for any purpose related to the laws administered or enforced by the department, including but not limited to [legislation] laws relating to the inspection, production, processing, marketing and distribution of agricultural products and to the control or eradication of plant and animal diseases and pests. The department may receive grants from any source and may issue grants to a department or agency of this state or other states, a unit of local government, a public or private corporation or another person for any purpose related to the laws administered or enforced by the department. The department may exchange information and services with any public or private body or person described in this subsection, in order to minimize duplication of public services, investigations, inspections and audits. The department may receive compensation, and make payment, for services rendered in performance of agreements authorized by this subsection.

- (2) In the performance of services required by any contract or agreement authorized by subsection (1) of this section, public agencies that are parties to the contract or agreement shall have the authority and powers of the department.
- (3) Funds received by the department as provided in subsection (1) of this section shall be deposited with the State Treasurer. Such funds are continuously appropriated for the use of the department in carrying out the purposes of the respective agreements, contracts, state laws and Acts of Congress in relation to which the money is received.

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