

House Bill 3529

Sponsored by Representative MORGAN (at the request of Douglas County)

SUMMARY

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Provides opportunity for counties to reacquire certain forestlands previously acquired by State Board of Forestry from counties without consideration other than statutory revenue sharing.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to intergovernmental forestland transfer.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) A county may reacquire lands previously acquired under ORS 530.030 by**
5 **the State Board of Forestry from counties without consideration other than the payments**
6 **contemplated by ORS 530.110 if the governing body of the county adopts a resolution re-**
7 **questing reconveyance and:**

8 (a) **The board determines that the county has a county forest management program ca-**
9 **pable of providing appropriate management for the lands;**

10 (b) **The county reimburses the board for what the board determines to be an appropriate**
11 **percentage of the costs incurred relating to bonds issued in relation to the management of**
12 **the land; and**

13 (c) **The county covenants to set aside and manage the lands as county forests under ORS**
14 **275.330.**

15 (2) **Subsection (1) of this section reflects the legislative intent to bind counties to a**
16 **statutory contract. Reacquisition of lands by a county under this section binds the county**
17 **to manage lands reacquired under this section as county forests under ORS 275.330.**

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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.