

## STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

House Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Communities

**REVENUE: Revenue statement issued****FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued**


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| <b>Action:</b>        | Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by prior reference |
| <b>Vote:</b>          | 6 - 2 - 0   |
| <b>Yeas:</b>          | Beyer, Krieger, Roblan, Schaufler, VanOrman, Clem   |
| <b>Nays:</b>          | Gilliam, Wingard  |
| <b>Exc.:</b>          | 0   |
| <b>Prepared By:</b>   | Beth Patrino, Administrator   |
| <b>Meeting Dates:</b> | 3/10, 4/9, 4/14   |

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Increases surcharges on resident and non-resident angling licenses and sportsperson licenses and extends sunset on surcharges to December 31, 2019. Extends sunset on surcharges for ocean troll salmon fishery permit and Columbia River gillnet fishery permits until December 31, 2019. Extends sunset on poundage-based commercial landing fee until December 31, 2019. Takes effect on December 30, 2009.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Examples of projects funded by program
- Restoration and Enhancement Board that oversees program

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Makes changes to the proposed fee levels in the original bill.

**BACKGROUND:** The Fish Restoration and Enhancement Program within the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife was created in 1989 to provide grants for education, fishing access, propagation, habitat research monitoring, and deferred maintenance to hatcheries. There is a \$2 surcharge assessed on each sport fishing license, combined with additional commercial license surcharges and permits and poundage fees. The surcharges sunset on December 31, 2009.