

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	7 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Berger, Edwards C., Garrard, Gelser, Jenson, Read, Roblan
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Nolan
Prepared By:	Jerry Watson, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	5/20

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to implement recommendations of the Ocean Policy Advisory Council. Directs ODFW to adopt rules, study, provide support, and develop a work plan. Specifies content of work plan. Directs ODFW to make recommendations regarding marine reserve designations based on the work plan. Requires ODFW to make a report, on or before November 30, 2010, to an interim legislative committee. Specifies content of report. Directs the Department of State Lands to transfer certain funds. Describes consultation and cooperation with relevant stakeholders and agencies. Requires ODFW to conduct periodic review on achievement of goals and make corresponding adjustments via rulemaking. Declares emergency and takes effect July 1, 2009.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Importance of marine reserves
- Depth, breadth and duration of public process
- Specificity of funding provisions
- Importance of community-based teams
- Reasonableness of compromise

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the original measure.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon Ocean Policy Advisory Council (OPAC) is a legislatively-mandated marine policy advisory body to the Governor of Oregon. It was tasked with undertaking a lengthy, in-depth public process in order to recommend marine reserves that are ecologically and scientifically meaningful, that at the same time minimized negative economic and social impacts. House Bill 3013 enables implementation of OPAC's recommendations concerning six such sites with the establishment of a pilot marine reserve at Otter Rock and a pilot marine reserve and a marine protected area at Redfish Rocks; further evaluation of potential marine reserves at Cape Falcon, Cascade Head and Cape Perpetua; and development of a marine reserve proposal at Cape Arago-Seven Devils.