## 75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 3106 A CARRIER:

**House Committee on Environment and Water** 

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact **FISCAL:** Fiscal statement issued

**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and

Means by Prior Reference

**Vote:** 8 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Bailey, Barnhart, Bentz, Boone, Gilliam, Jenson, Smith J., Cannon

Nays: 0 **Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/2, 4/23

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Creates Task Force on Nearshore Research with 11 members. Directs task force to make recommendations to ensure protection and utilization of Oregon's nearshore resources. Directs task force to recommend long-term funding and coordination strategy for implementing nearshore priorities of the state. Requires strategy recommended by task force to meet certain criteria. Directs task force to submit recommendations for legislation to the Governor and Emergency Board no later than August 1, 2010. Directs College of Agricultural Sciences at Oregon State University to provide staff support using Marine Experiment Station employees or by contract. Directs Department of State Lands to transfer \$100,000 to Department of Education to carry out Act. Declares an emergency; effective upon passage.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- · Types of research needed
- Task force membership
- Funding of task force work

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Replaces the measure.

**BACKGROUND:** "Nearshore resources" are generally understood to mean ocean natural resources within the state's three mile Territorial Sea. House Bill 3106A creates a task force to make recommendations on the protection and proper utilization of Oregon's nearshore resources.