HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2020

By COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

April 30

1	On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 28 and delete page 2 and insert:
2	"SECTION 1. The Legislative Assembly finds and declares that:
3	"(1) The land, waters and other natural resources of this state are severely affected by
4	an increasing number of invasions by harmful nonnative species;
5	"(2) Invasions by harmful nonnative species are damaging to the environment and cause
6	economic hardship within this state;
7	"(3) The Invasive Species Council is a leader for the conducting of a coordinated and
8	comprehensive effort to prevent the entry of invasive species into this state and to eliminate
9	reduce and mitigate the effects of invasive species present in this state;
10	"(4) The Invasive Species Council has a strong network of local, state, federal, tribal and
11	private entities that actively and cooperatively combat the threat posed by harmful invasive
12	species;
13	"(5) Rapid response and eradication are the most effective, least costly and most feasible
14	strategies for combating harmful invasive species and preventing expansion by those invasive
15	species;
16	"(6) Invasive species present a serious threat that adversely affects industries vital to
17	the economy of this state, including but not limited to the agriculture, forestry, fishing and
18	tourism industries;
19	"(7) Failure to eradicate or control new infestations and infections of invasive species
20	will reduce the productivity of industries in this state and adversely affect marketing by
21	those industries, resulting in a loss of business and the loss of existing jobs; and
22	"(8) The eradication or control of new infestations or infections of invasive species using
23	funding provided through the Invasive Species Council will benefit the economy of this state
24	by preventing the loss of existing jobs, by promoting and expanding business and by pre-
25	venting the decline of business.
26	"SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, 'invasive species' has the meaning given that
27	term in ORS 561.685.
28	"(2) The Invasive Species Control Account is established in the State Treasury, separate
29	and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Invasive Species Control Ac-
30	count shall be credited to the account. Moneys in the account are continuously appropriated
31	to the Invasive Species Council for the purpose of carrying out this section.
32	"(3) The Invasive Species Council may expend moneys from the account to provide
33	funding for efforts by agencies, organizations and individuals to eradicate or control new
34	infestations and infections of invasive species. The council shall adopt criteria and proce-

dures for the funding of efforts to eradicate or control new infestations and infections of

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invasive species.

- "(4) Invasive species eradication and control effort costs that may be funded from the account include, but are not limited to, costs associated with:
 - "(a) Surveys to delimit areas infested or infected by invasive species;
- 5 "(b) Inspections;
 - "(c) Enforcement actions;
- 7 "(d) Diagnosis of infestation and infection problems;
- 8 "(e) Rapid response planning and coordination;
 - "(f) Administration;
- 10 "(g) Eradication or control of infestations and infections;
 - "(h) Treatment and disposal of infested or infected materials;
 - "(i) Cleaning and disinfecting of infested or infected premises or vessels; and
 - "(j) Payment of indemnity to owners of infested or infected materials destroyed under an eradication or control program.
 - "(5) In addition to any costs described under subsection (4) of this section, if the State Department of Agriculture pays an administrative expense of the council related to the provision of funding from the account, account moneys may be expended to reimburse that administrative expense in an amount equal to the lesser of the actual expense paid by the department or 10 percent of the funding that was provided from the account.
 - "SECTION 3. For the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, upon request of the Invasive Species Council, the State Treasurer may issue lottery bonds pursuant to ORS 286A.560 to 286A.585 in the amount of \$10 million for the purpose of providing funding for efforts to eradicate or control new infestations or infections of invasive species. Net proceeds of lottery bonds issued under this section shall be deposited in the Invasive Species Control Account. Bond-related costs incurred by the Invasive Species Council and the State Treasurer for the lottery bonds issued under this section must be paid from the gross proceeds of the lottery bonds and from allocations for the purposes of ORS 286A.576 (1)(c).
 - "SECTION 4. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of \$5 million is established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, as the maximum limit for the expenditure of moneys from the Invasive Species Control Account under section 2 of this 2009 Act by the Invasive Species Council.
 - "SECTION 5. This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect July 1, 2009."

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