

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2215

By COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES AND RURAL
COMMUNITIES

April 22

1 In line 2 of the printed bill, after “amending” insert “ORS 477.755 and”.

2 Delete lines 5 through 11 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1.** ORS 477.755 is amended to read:

4 “477.755. (1) Notwithstanding ORS 291.238, the moneys in the Oregon Forest Land Protection
5 Fund are appropriated continuously to the Emergency Fire Cost Committee and shall be used for
6 equalizing emergency fire suppression costs for safeguarding forestland in any forest protection
7 district, and for necessary administrative expenses. However, such administrative expenses may not
8 exceed the limit authorized by the Legislative Assembly each biennium.

9 “(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the annual expenditure from the Oregon Forest
10 Land Protection Fund from revenues received from ORS 321.015 (2), 477.277 (1), 477.295 (1) and (2),
11 477.750 (1) and (2), 477.760 (4) and 477.880 (2) may not exceed **the lesser of:**

12 **“(a) \$15 million[.]; or**

13 **“(b) An amount equal to:**

14 **“(A) One-half of the annual emergency fire suppression costs as determined by the**
15 **Emergency Fire Cost Committee; and**

16 **“(B) One-half of the annual premium costs for emergency fire suppression insurance**
17 **purchased under ORS 477.775.**

18 “(3) As used in this section, ‘annual expenditure’ means the expenses of the Oregon Forest Land
19 Protection Fund obligated in any 12-month period designated by the Emergency Fire Cost Committee
20 by rule that corresponds to the policy period of any insurance for emergency fire costs.

21 **“SECTION 2.** ORS 477.755, as amended by section 9, chapter 685, Oregon Laws 2003, and sec-
22 tion 12, chapter 802, Oregon Laws 2005, is amended to read:

23 “477.755. (1) Notwithstanding ORS 291.238, the moneys in the Oregon Forest Land Protection
24 Fund are appropriated continuously to the Emergency Fire Cost Committee and shall be used for
25 equalizing emergency fire suppression costs for safeguarding forestland in any forest protection
26 district, and for necessary administrative expenses. However, such administrative expenses may not
27 exceed the limit authorized by the Legislative Assembly each biennium.

28 “(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the annual expenditure from the Oregon Forest
29 Land Protection Fund from revenues received from ORS 321.015 (2), 477.277 (1), 477.295 (1) and (2),
30 477.750 (1) and (2), 477.760 (4) and 477.880 (2) may not exceed **the lesser of:**

31 **“(a) \$10 million[.]; or**

32 **“(b) An amount equal to:**

33 **“(A) One-half of the annual emergency fire suppression costs as determined by the**
34 **Emergency Fire Cost Committee; and**

35 **“(B) One-half of the annual premium costs for emergency fire suppression insurance**

1 **purchased under ORS 477.775.**

2 “(3) As used in this section, ‘annual expenditure’ means the expenses of the Oregon Forest Land
3 Protection Fund obligated in any 12-month period designated by the Emergency Fire Cost Committee
4 by rule that corresponds to the policy period of any insurance for emergency fire costs.

5 “**SECTION 3.** Section 11, chapter 685, Oregon Laws 2003, as amended by section 17, chapter
6 802, Oregon Laws 2005, and section 1, chapter 847, Oregon Laws 2007, is amended to read:

7 “**Sec. 11.** The amendments to ORS 477.755 by section 9, chapter 685, Oregon Laws 2003, and
8 section 12, chapter 802, Oregon Laws 2005, become operative July 1, [2009] **2011.**

9 “**SECTION 4. This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
10 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect**
11 **July 1, 2009.”.**

12
