House Bill 2363

Sponsored by Representative ROBLAN (at the request of Tillamook County Commissioner Tim Josi) (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Reduces number of members appointed by Governor to State Board of Forestry. Requires that one member of board be appointed by agreement of governing bodies of certain counties.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to State Board of Forestry; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 526.009.
- Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- **SECTION 1.** ORS 526.009 is amended to read:
- 526.009. (1) There is created a State Board of Forestry consisting of [seven] six members appointed by the Governor and one member appointed by agreement of the governing bodies of Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Douglas, Josephine, Klamath, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Polk, Tillamook and Washington Counties. The six members appointed to the board by the Governor shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate as provided in ORS 171.562 and 171.565. The Governor shall designate one member of the board as chairperson to hold that position until that member's term expires or until relieved by the Governor as provided in subsection (6) of this section. The chairperson shall have such powers and duties as are provided by the rules of the board.
- (2) The term of office of a member of the board is four years. A member shall be eligible for reappointment, but no member shall serve more than two consecutive full terms. In case of a vacancy for any cause, the [Governor] appointing authority shall make an appointment [as provided in subsection (1) of this section] to become immediately effective.
- (3) Appointments made by the Governor under subsection (1) of this section shall include appointment of at least one member from each of the forest regions established under ORS 527.640 and the rules adopted thereunder by January 1, 1987.
- (4) No more than three members of the board may derive any significant portion of their income directly from persons or organizations that are subject to regulation under ORS 527.610 to 527.770, 527.990 (1) and 527.992.
- (5) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, no member of the board shall have any relationship or pecuniary interest that would interfere with the member representing the public interest.
- (6) The Governor may at any time remove any member of the board for inefficiency, incompetence, neglect of duty, malfeasance in office, unfitness to render effective service or failure to continue to meet the criteria of appointment pursuant to this section.
- SECTION 2. (1) Notwithstanding the amendments to ORS 526.009 by section 1 of this 2009 Act, the appointed members of the State Board of Forestry serving on the effective date of

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this 2009 Act may remain on the board until the expiration of their terms unless removed by the Governor pursuant to ORS 526.009 (6).

(2) The board member appointed by agreement of the county governing bodies as specified in the amendments to ORS 526.009 by section 1 of this 2009 Act shall be appointed to the first position that becomes available by expiration of the term of office on or after the effective date of this 2009 Act.

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