A-Engrossed Senate Bill 741

Ordered by the Senate May 5 Including Senate Amendments dated May 5

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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.

[Declares Metolius River Basin and area of influence to be] Approves recommendation of Land Conservation and Development Commission that Metolius River Basin be designated area of critical state concern. [Directs Department of Land Conservation and Development to review land in area and recommend management plan.] Approves management plan included in commission's recommendation. Makes certain changes to plan.

Restricts new developments in Metolius River Basin. Restricts siting of destination resort in Metolius River Basin.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to protection of Metolius River Basin; and declaring an emergency.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) As used in this section, "Metolius River Basin" means the portions of the basin identified as Area 1 and Area 2 in the management plan recommended by the Land Conservation and Development Commission.
 - (2) Pursuant to ORS 197.405 (4), the Legislative Assembly hereby approves the recommendation of the commission, submitted to the Legislative Assembly on April 2, 2009, that the Metolius River Basin be designated an area of critical state concern.
 - (3) The Legislative Assembly approves the management plan included in the commission's recommendation pursuant to ORS 197.405 (1)(c) and directs the commission to adopt the management plan, by rule, without change except that the commission shall:
 - (a) Amend section 1.2.4 of the management plan by deleting the following text: "If the 2009 Legislative Assembly enacts a bill that provides for an owner, or affiliate of an owner, of the property described in this section to carry out a pilot project to develop a sustainable eco-community outside of Area 1 and Area 2, then the development authorized by this section is limited to two forest dwellings."
 - (b) Substantively limit development authorized in section 2.2.3 of the management plan, or define "contiguous," as used in section 2.2.3 of the management plan, so that the development of units can occur on up to 25 clusters that may be connected only by a road system.
 - (4) The commission may amend the management plan only as provided in the management plan and only pursuant to applicable rulemaking procedures.
 - (5) In addition to limitations on development that are contained in the management plan, new development allowed by amendment of the management plan may not result in:
 - (a) Negative impact on the Metolius River, its springs or its tributaries;

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- (b) Negative impact on fish resources in the Metolius River Basin; or
 (c) Negative impact on the wildlife resources in the Metolius River Basin.
- (6) A county may not approve siting a destination resort in the Metolius River Basin.

SECTION 2. 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 on its passage.

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