

**REVENUE IMPACT OF
PROPOSED LEGISLATION
Seventy-Sixth Oregon Legislative
Assembly 2011 Regular Session
Legislative Revenue Office**

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| Bill Number: | HB 2238 - A |
| Revenue Area: | Vehicle Registration |
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| Date: | 3/22/2011 |

Measure Description:

Permits small woodland owner to register vehicle as farm vehicle.

Revenue Impact:

The measure is likely to result in additional vehicles being registered using farm plates because small woodland owners are allowed to use it to haul logs from their forestlands. The number of vehicles that may be affected at this time and the change in registration fee revenue cannot be estimated without further research into this issue.

Impact Explanation:

Trucks that are titled in Oregon and used for a certified farm operation pay a registration fee that is lower than the registration fee for commercial motor vehicles in the same weight class. The -2 amendments would allow a small woodland owner to register a vehicle with a farm plate registration if vehicle has a loaded weight of 26,000 pounds or less (up from the existing 16,000 pounds). Farm plate vehicles of all weight groups pay fuel tax. Commercial vehicles registered for 26,000 pounds or less pay fuel tax. The highway cost responsibility of this class of vehicle might be affected by the change in payments. The affect of this measure will be further researched if it is referred to the revenue committee.

Creates, Extends, or Expands Tax Expenditure: Yes No

This measure expands the tax expenditure that is given to agricultural vehicles and allows that same expenditure type to woodland lots.