76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 2238 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Rep. Gilliam

House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

REVENUE: Revenue statement issued

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 7 - 0 - 1

Yeas: Boone, Cowan, Johnson, Schaufler, Sprenger, Clem, Jenson

Nays: 0

Exc.: Esquivel

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Meeting Dates: 2/21, 3/18

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes that person who owns small woodland, less than 5,000 acres, may register motor vehicle, that has gross vehicle rating of 26,000 pounds or less, as farm vehicle. Extends farm vehicle application requirements to owner/operator of small woodland. Establishes vehicle may transport logs over eight feet six inches, but not over 17 feet if vehicle has loaded weight of 26,000 pounds or less.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Impact of measure on professional log truckers
- Used Department of Revenue's definition of small woodland to establish 5,000 acre requirement

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces measure.

BACKGROUND: Trucks that are titled in Oregon and used for a certified farm operation qualify for farm registration status. Farm trucks used for farming operations benefit from a lower truck registration fee than that of commercial motor vehicles in the same weight class. House Bill 2238A would extend the benefit of the lower registration fees to owners of small woodlands.