

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass
Vote: 5 - 0 - 0
Yeas: Hass, Olsen, Prozanski, Thomsen, Dingfelder
Nays: 0
Exc.: 0
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Meeting Dates: 5/10, 5/26

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes that Department of State Lands (DSL) and Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) can enter to in memorandum of agreement in certain cases involving surface mining so that sole responsibility for permitting is assigned to DOGAMI. Requires DSL to be consulted prior to any permitting under established memorandum of agreement regarding any conditions necessary to protect the waters of state.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Example of mine site with intermingled DSL/DOGAMI permitting authority
- Bill doesn't affect permitting standards
- Mine siting is local decision

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: House Bill 3601 would allow the Department of State Lands (DSL) and the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) to enter to in a memorandum of agreement when surface mining would otherwise be under the permitting jurisdiction of both departments because part of the surface mining is located within the beds or banks of any waters within Oregon, and part of the surface mining is located upland from the beds or banks of any waters of this state. DOGAMI, prior to any permitting that is allowed in the memorandum of agreement, is required to consult with DSL regarding any conditions necessary to protect the waters of this state.