## 76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued		
Action:		Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
Vote:		8 - 0 - 0
	Yeas:	Boone, Cowan, Esquivel, Johnson, Schaufler, Sprenger, Clem, Jenson
	Nays:	0
	Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:		4/25, 5/2

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Authorizes Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) to enter into contracts or agreements with person, public body, or federal government, pursuant to which DOGAMI performs geoscientific surveys or analyses. Directs Governing Board of DOGAMI to adopt rules establishing criteria and procedures by which DOGAMI enters into such contracts or agreements.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Allows DOGAMI to include non-governmental entities as Other Funds project partners
- Some agencies presently have authority to accept funds from private and public organizations to further their missions

## EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** The DOGAMI serves as a centralized source of geologic information in Oregon for the public and all levels of government. DOGAMI identifies and quantifies natural hazards and works to reduce the risk of earthquakes, tsunamis, landslides and coastal hazards through a comprehensive and broad-reaching mitigation strategy. The agency maps the state's geology and creates and maintains geologic data and information, primarily in digital form.

Senate Bill 122 authorizes DOGAMI to contract with private businesses and foundations to collect and compile geoscientific data. DOGAMI's current statutes authorize such contracts with public agencies.