

**76TH OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
HOUSE REVENUE COMMITTEE**

**MEASURE: SB 443 A
CARRIER: Rep. Barnhart**

**REVENUE: No Revenue Impact
FISCAL: No Fiscal Impact**

Action: Do Pass
Vote: 6-1-1
Yeas: Bailey, Bentz, Brewer, Gelser, Read, Barnhart
Nays: Berger
Exc.: Wand

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Meeting Dates: 6/8**

WHAT THE BILL DOES: Extends sunset until 2016 on provision allowing federal forest reserve moneys in Douglas and Lane County road funds to be used for patrolling of roads in these counties by law enforcement officials.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Federal Forest counties, and the different federal amounts coming to them.
- The history of the federal forest program.
- Road fund dedication and its importance to continue.
- Reductions of services and budget cuts.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

BACKGROUND: In the 2007 session, SB 808 allowed federal forest reserve moneys to be utilized for law enforcement patrols. The measure set a sunset date of January 2, 2014 for the use of this money for law enforcement. Ordinarily, the federal forest reserve moneys are split 25% for schools and 75% for the county road funds. Various provisions apply by which money from the road fund can be transferred to pay for schools if the amount of road funds is deemed sufficient by counties. Some counties have requirements for a minimum amount of money in the road fund before they may transfer the extra money to schools. This provision allows the forest reserve money to go to law enforcement patrols.

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