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
Vote:		8 - 0 - 0
	Yeas:	Boone, Cowan, Esquivel, Johnson, Schaufler, Sprenger, Clem, Jenson
	Nays:	0
	Exc.:	0
Prepared By:		Beth Herzog, Administrator
Meeting Dates:		4/25, 5/2

REVENUE: No revenue impact

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes division of land in exclusive farm use zone to create parcel smaller than minimum lot or parcel for fire service facilities that provide rural fire protection service. Authorizes governing body to establish other criteria it considers necessary. Declares emergency, effective upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Centrally siting fire service facility would lead to more timely service
- Farming would be able to occur on remainder of parcel

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Current law allows the use of land in an exclusive farm use zone for fire facilities providing rural fire protection services, but not the partitioning of that land. Senate Bill 640 authorizes a county to approve a land division provided it finds that the parcel is not larger than the minimum necessary for the use.