

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended, Be Printed Engrossed, and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
Vote:	5 - 1 - 0
Yeas:	Atkinson, Edwards, Girod, Starr, Beyer
Nays:	Burdick
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	3/10, 4/4, 4/19

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes the Economic Recovery Review Council as an independent council that reports directly to the Governor. Authorizes the Council to perform expedited site reviews for proposed industrial development projects that have state significance. Establishes the Economic Recovery Review Council Fund and continuously appropriates moneys into the Fund for the purpose of funding expedited site reviews. Requires the Council to designate at least five and not more than fifteen regionally significant industrial areas. Authorizes local governments to nominate regionally significant industrial areas for designation by the Council. Allows expedited permitting of industrial uses in regionally significant industrial areas if the new or expanded use does not require a change to a statewide planning goal, an acknowledged comprehensive plan or a land use regulation. Sets timelines and procedures for local government review of an expedited industrial use permit. Dictates that the Land Use Board of Appeals does not have jurisdiction over expedited reviews by the council or local jurisdictions. Sunsets the Council and fund on January 2nd of first even-numbered year after notification that annual average unemployment rate for the most recent calendar year in Oregon is less than six percent.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Balancing planning process with economic development needs
- Infrastructure issues with industrial development
- Need for public participation in planning decisions
- Concern over local control in decision making
- Expedited reviews ability to address environmental concerns
- Concern over adding layers of government
- Concern over lack of appeal process
- Need for expedited review process to attract industrial businesses
- Environmental justice in land use decisions
- Concerns over industrial expansion in Hayden Island

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the original measure.

BACKGROUND: Governor John Kitzhaber stated that Senate Bill 766 A will complement Oregon's Certified Industrial Site program. The Certified Industrial Site program began in 2003 as a result of an executive order by Governor Ted Kulongoski.