

## HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2875

By COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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- 1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 14, delete “state-managed” and insert “state-owned”.
- 2 Delete lines 16 through 30 and delete page 2 and insert:
- 3 **“SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2011 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 496.**
- 4 **“SECTION 2. (1)(a) As used in this section, ‘public lands’ means any land, or improve-**
- 5 **ments thereon, owned by the State of Oregon.**
- 6 **“(b) Public lands open to access and use for hunting shall remain open to access and use**
- 7 **for hunting, except as limited by a state agency for reasons of public safety or wildlife**
- 8 **management or for any other reason determined by a state agency to be in the public in-**
- 9 **terest. However, a state agency is not required to give preference to hunting over other uses**
- 10 **of public lands.**
- 11 **“(2) In implementing subsection (1) of this section, state agencies shall, to the greatest**
- 12 **extent practicable, avoid making determinations that result in a net loss of access to hunting**
- 13 **on public lands.**
- 14 **“(3)(a) Before a state agency restricts or closes access to public lands open to access and**
- 15 **use for hunting, the state agency shall notify the State Department of Fish and Wildlife in**
- 16 **a sufficient amount of time of the plans to restrict or close access to the public lands in**
- 17 **order to allow the department to post notice pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection.**
- 18 **“(b) In order to give hunters notice that a state agency plans to restrict or close access**
- 19 **to public lands open to access and use for hunting and before a state agency may restrict**
- 20 **or close access to the public lands, the department shall post notice on the department’s**
- 21 **website for 30 days after it receives notification under paragraph (a) of this subsection.**
- 22 **“(c) Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection do not apply to restrictions or closures for:**
- 23 **“(A) Emergencies.**
- 24 **“(B) Fire prevention pursuant to the provisions of ORS 401.165 to 401.236 or 477.535 to**
- 25 **477.550.**
- 26 **“(4) On or before January 1 of each year, the State Fish and Wildlife Director shall sub-**
- 27 **mit a report to the Legislative Assembly that describes:**
- 28 **“(a) The amount, in acres, of public lands open to access and use for hunting that has**
- 29 **been closed to hunting by state agencies in the previous calendar year and the reasons for**
- 30 **each closure; and**
- 31 **“(b) The amount, in acres, of public lands that has been opened to access and use for**
- 32 **hunting by state agencies in the previous calendar year.**
- 33 **“SECTION 3. (1) Section 2 of this 2011 Act applies to public lands open to access and use**
- 34 **for hunting on or after the effective date of this 2011 Act.**
- 35 **“(2) The first report due under the provisions of section 2 (4) of this 2011 Act is due on**

1 or before January 1, 2013.”

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