## House Bill 3547

Sponsored by Representative PARRISH; Representatives CANNON, CONGER, JOHNSON, SCHAUFLER, WAND, Senator OLSEN

## **SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Permits contracting agency that procures goods for public use to give preference to food produced within this state if cost of food is not more than 10 percent more than food that is not produced within this state.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to procurements of food; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 279A.128.

## Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

**SECTION 1.** ORS 279A.128 is amended to read:

279A.128. Notwithstanding provisions of law requiring a contracting agency to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder or best proposer or provider of a quotation, a contracting agency that uses public funds to procure goods for a public use may give preference to procuring **food or** an agricultural product that is produced and transported entirely within this state if the **food or** agricultural product costs not more than 10 percent more than **food or** an agricultural product that is not produced and transported entirely within this state. The contracting agency may set a higher percentage by order if the contracting agency, in a written determination to support the order, finds good cause to set the higher percentage and explains the contracting agency's reasons and evidence for the finding.

SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 279A.128 by section 1 of this 2011 Act apply to contracts that a contracting agency first advertises or otherwise solicits on or after the effective date of this 2011 Act or, if the contracting agency does not advertise or solicit the contract, to a contract that the contracting agency enters into on or after the effective date of this 2011 Act.

18 19

1

3

4 5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13 14

15

16

17