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HB 2244 - Repealing Statutes Grain and Commodity Inspection, Weighing and Grading

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The grain inspection laws, ORS 586.570-586.680, were enacted in order to provide grain inspection services to producers, warehouses, and other interested parties.

At one time the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) operated a field office in Pendleton Oregon to inspect, grade, and weigh grain. These services were offered on a fee for service basis. As demand for these services declined the office was closed and the limited number of inspections now requested are provided by USDA's Federal Grain Inspection Service.

The ODA has not provided any of the services referenced in the grain inspection laws in over 10 years. The ODA has conferred with the Oregon Wheat Commission and both entities agree the statutes are no longer necessary.

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