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MEMORANDUM

To: Natural Resource Subcommittee
From: Paul Siebert, Legislative Fiscal Office; 503-986-1843
Date: March 25, 2013
Re: Senate Bill 5520, Department of Environmental Quality, April 1-4, 2013 in Hearing Room 170 at 1:00 PM.

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) with policy direction from the five-member Environmental Quality Commission, administers the state's laws regulating air, water, and land pollution. DEQ establishes the standards for clean air, water, and land; determines whether or not these standards are being met; and takes action to enforce the standards when necessary.

Budget Notes: There were no budget notes included in the 2011-13 budget bills for DEQ:

Secretary of State Audits: There were no Secretary of State performance audits examining DEQ operations issued this biennium.

A financial audit of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund performed by the Secretary of State was issued in May 2012 and can be reviewed at the following web link:

http://www.sos.state.or.us/audits/pages/state_audits/full/2012/2012-14.pdf

LFO agency budget review: (separate document on OLIS)

Additional Materials: On OLIS you will also find the agency PowerPoint presentation, presentation appendices, and the 2013-15 Governor's Budget document.