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SUMMARY

Allows governing body of public body with land in diking or drainage district or in proposed diking or drainage district to appoint designee, other than presiding officer or member of governing body, to represent public body in matters related to district and land in district.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to state lands located in certain districts; amending ORS 547.045.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 547.045 is amended to read:

547.045. (1) Whenever any diking or drainage district is sought to be created and organized or is created and organized in the manner provided by law, within the boundaries of which are located any lands belonging to the state that have been acquired or used by or for any state institution described in ORS 179.321, the Director of Human Services or the Director of the Oregon Health Authority may sign any petition or objections thereto for the organization of such district and exercise on behalf of the state with respect to the district and the land therein belonging to the state, all the rights and privileges of a landowner within the district.

(2) Whenever any such district or proposed district includes any lands belonging to any public body as defined in ORS 174.109, the presiding officer of such public body, [*or other*] **a member of the governing body of such public body or a designee of the governing body**, when [*thereto authorized by*] **designated in** a resolution of the governing body [*thereof*], may sign such petition or objection [*thereto*] on behalf of the public body, and exercise with respect to the district and the land therein belonging to the public body[,]

1 all the rights and privileges of a landowner in the district, including the
2 right to be a supervisor of the district.

3 (3) Lands belonging to a public body as defined in ORS 174.109 shall be
4 subject to the same burdens and liabilities and entitled to the same benefits
5 as lands in the district belonging to private individuals. The Department of
6 Human Services or the Oregon Health Authority may pay from any appro-
7 priations made for the operation and maintenance of any institution, the
8 lands of which have been included in any diking or drainage district, any
9 charges billed to the department **or the authority** or any assessments levied
10 against such lands by the diking or drainage district.

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