

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass
Vote: 4 - 0 - 1
Yeas: Hansell, Hass, Olsen, Dingfelder
Nays: 0
Exc.: Bates
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Meeting Dates: 2/27, 3/4

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Adds State Marine Director, or designated representative, and one appointed member to Invasive Species Council (Council).

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Currently there are 15 members serving on Council
- Milfoil is an example of aquatic invasive species currently in Oregon

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon Invasive Species Council (Council) was created by the Oregon Legislature in 2001. Its mission is to conduct a coordinated and comprehensive effort to keep invasive species out of Oregon and to eliminate, reduce, or mitigate the impacts of invasive species already established in Oregon. Invasive species are those plants, animals, and microbes not native to a region which, when introduced either accidentally or intentionally, out-compete native species for available resources, reproduce prolifically, dominate regions and ecosystems, and cause harm to people, the environment, and the economy. Currently there are 15 active members on the Council. Senate Bill 571 would add the Director of the State Marine Board, or a designated representative, as well as one additional appointed member to the Council.