

REVENUE: Revenue statement issued

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action:	Do Pass and Rescind the Subsequent Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
Vote:	8 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Clem, Esquivel, Krieger, Reardon, Thompson, Unger, Whitsett, Witt
Nays:	0
Exc.:	McKeown
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Meeting Dates:	2/26, 3/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes Fish and Wildlife Commission to establish multi-year licenses. Allows issuing agents to charge certain fees. Provides that non-resident members of uniformed services are residents for purchases of certain licenses, tags and permits.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Allowing active duty military personnel to hunt and fish in Oregon at same cost as resident shows appreciation for their service
- License vendor fee changes reflect tag/license cost; bank transaction fees sometimes exceed current fee
- Multi-year licenses popular in other states and appear effective in retaining hunters and anglers

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife issues license, tags and permits for fishing, hunting and trapping. The State Fish and Wildlife Commission is authorized to appoint agents to issue licenses, tags and permits. House Bill 2252 would authorize the issuance of multi-year hunting and fishing licenses, change fees charged by agents and allow active duty military personnel to hunt or fish in Oregon for the same cost as an Oregon resident.