## 77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY House Committee on Energy & Environment

FISCAL: No fiscal impact	
Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	5 - 3 - 1
Yeas:	Boone, Dembrow, Reardon, Vega Pederson, Bailey
Nays:	Bentz, Johnson, Whitsett
Exc.:	Weidner
Prepared By:	Adam Crawford, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	3/19, 4/9

## **REVENUE:** No revenue impact **FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Prohibits operation of motor vehicle weighing more than 200 pounds and Class I, II, III, and IV vehicles in beds or banks of any waterway in Common School Forest Lands or Elliott State Forest Lands. Excludes boats; licensed hunters engaging in hunting activities; vehicles owned by state or local government or those owned by persons contracted by local, state or federal government; vehicles engaged in emergency rescue; vehicles crossing from road surface on one side of bank to road surface on other side of bank; or vehicles engaged in activities specified by rule by Department of State Lands. Makes violation Class A violation with maximum fine of \$2,000.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Definitions of streambeds and banks
- Obligations of State Land Board
- History of measure
- Available habitat for spawning fish

## EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces measure.

**BACKGROUND:** The State Land Board is composed of the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer. Oregon's Constitution directs the Land Board to manage lands under its jurisdiction to obtain the greatest benefit for the people of Oregon, consistent with resource conservation and sound land management. The board oversees the Common School Fund and state lands dedicated to providing revenue for the fund. House Bill 3251 A would prohibit most motor vehicles not owned by or contracted by the state from entering streambeds or banks located in Common School Fund Lands or Elliott State Forest Lands.