

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference
Vote:	9 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Bentz, Boone, Dembrow, Johnson, Reardon, Vega Pederson, Weidner, Whitsett, Bailey
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	4/9, 4/16

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Adds demolition of structures containing hazardous substances to definition of environmental action. Adds provision of financial assistance for environmental actions to purposes of Brownfields Redevelopment Fund. Appropriates \$10 million to the Brownfields Redevelopment Fund. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Number of brownfields in Oregon
- Impact and scope of Brownfields Redevelopment Fund
- Average costs of brownfield redevelopment
- Current redevelopment incentives and disincentives
- Jobs created by brownfield redevelopment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces measure.

BACKGROUND: Brownfields are properties that have been contaminated with hazardous materials. Currently, there are roughly 4,800 known or suspected brownfield sites in Oregon with another 50 to 100 found every year. Of the 4,800, roughly 1,600 brownfields have had their contamination remediated or removed completely.

Depending on the level of contamination, brownfields are unfit for many or all types of development. Many property owners are unaware that they own a brownfield until they try to develop it. Cleanup of the site is often a very costly task, potential ranging into the hundreds of thousands or millions of dollars depending on the size of the property and scale of contamination. House Bill 3030 A would recapitalize a fund that would assist in the remediation or removal of contamination in brownfields.