

**77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Session
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

MEASURE: SB 5503-A

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

**Carrier – House: Rep. Unger
Carrier – Senate: Sen. Edwards**

Revenue: No revenue impact

Fiscal: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and as Printed A-Engrossed

Vote: 16 – 9 – 1

House

Yeas: Barker, Buckley, Frederick, Komp, Nathanson, Read, Tomei, Williamson

Nays: Freeman, Hanna, Huffman, McLane, Richardson, Smith

Exc: Jenson

Senate

Yeas: Bates, Devlin, Edwards, Hansell, Johnson, Monroe, Steiner Hayward, Winters

Nays: Girod, Thomsen, Whitsett

Exc:

Prepared By: Paul Siebert, Legislative Fiscal Office

Meeting Date: June 6, 2013

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Ratifies fee changes adopted by the Department of Agriculture and approved by the Department of Administrative Services. Fees were modified for open field burning, fertilizer inspections and various agricultural certifications.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- How fee modifications affect assumed revenue in the 2013-15 budget
- Competition with private providers of certification services

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the bill.

BACKGROUND: ORS 291.055(1)(e) requires the Legislative Assembly to ratify fees an agency implements during the prior biennium without legislative approval. The fee revenue is anticipated in the budget and is described in the budget binders for the Department of Agriculture.