House Bill 2615

Sponsored by Representative CLEM (at the request of Oregon Small Woodlands Association) (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

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Eliminates requirement to mark or brand floated or transported forest products and booming equipment.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to the forest products industry; creating new provisions; amending ORS 532.130; and repealing ORS 532.020 and 532.030.
- Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2013 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 532.010 to 532.140.
 - SECTION 2. (1) A person may select a mark or brand, register the mark or brand with the office of the State Forester as provided under ORS 532.050 or 532.060 and use the mark or brand for the purpose of marking or branding forest products and booming equipment.
 - (2) If a person uses a mark or brand on a forest product that the person puts into any of the waters of this state or ships on any motor vehicle or railroad, the mark or brand must be registered with the office of the State Forester and be plainly impressed or cut in a conspicuous place on the forest products in the manner required by rules adopted by the State Forester.
 - (3) If a person places a mark or brand on booming equipment used in an operation securing, rafting or floating forest products, the mark or brand must be registered with the office of the State Forester and be placed in a conspicuous place on the booming equipment in the manner required by rules adopted by the State Forester.
 - (4) The State Forester may adopt rules for carrying out ORS 532.010 to 532.140.
 - **SECTION 3.** ORS 532.130 is amended to read:
 - 532.130. [(1) No person, unless permitted to do so under ORS 532.030, shall:]
 - [(a) Put into any of the waters of this state or ship on any railroad or motor vehicle any forest products, or use any booming equipment as a part of the operation of the person in securing, rafting or floating forest products, without having plainly impressed or cut in a conspicuous place on each such stick or piece of forest products, and on any piece of booming equipment so used, a mark or brand previously registered as required by the terms of ORS 532.010 to 532.140.]
 - [(b) Have or take in tow or into custody or possession or under control of the person, without the authorization of the owner of a registered mark or brand thereon, any forest products or booming equipment having thereupon a mark or brand registered as required by the terms of ORS 532.010 to 532.140 or, with or without such authorization, any forest products or booming equipment required to be branded under the terms of ORS 532.010 to 532.140 with a registered mark or brand and having

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- (1) A person may not:
- (a) Exercise custody or control over, or have possession of, any forest product or booming equipment bearing a mark or brand registered as provided under ORS 532.010 to 532.140 without the permission of the registered user of the mark or brand.
- [(c)] (b) Impress upon or cut in any forest products or booming equipment a mark or brand that is false, forged or counterfeit.
- [(d)] (c) Impress or cut a catch brand that has not been registered under the terms of ORS 532.010 to 532.140 upon or into any forest products or booming equipment [upon which there is or should be a registered mark or brand as required by the terms of ORS 532.010 to 532.140 or a catch brand, whether registered or not, upon any forest products or booming equipment] that has not been purchased or lawfully acquired by the person from the owner.
 - (2) Subsection [(1)(b)] (1)(a) of this section [shall] does not apply to:
 - (a) Railroads.
- (b) Log patrol or salvage companies organized as corporations for the purpose of catching or reclaiming and holding or disposing of forest products for the benefit of the owners and authorized to do business under the laws of this state.
- [(3) In the case of a motor vehicle carrying more than three logs, branding of not less than three logs shall be considered compliance with the provisions of subsection (1)(a) of this section.]

SECTION 4. ORS 532.020 and 532.030 are repealed.