

**A-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 348**

Ordered by the House March 6  
Including House Amendments dated March 6

Sponsored by Senators GIROD, JOHNSON; Senators KRUSE, OLSEN, WHITSETT, Representatives BOONE, KENNEMER, KOMP, WITT (Presession filed.)

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Allows commodity commission to choose calendar year as fiscal year.  
**Declares emergency, effective on passage.**

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to the changing of commodity commission fiscal year periods; creating new provisions;  
3 amending ORS 576.410; and declaring an emergency.

4 **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 576.416 to**  
6 **576.445.**

7 **SECTION 2. (1) A commodity commission may adopt a rule allowing the commission to**  
8 **operate using a fiscal year that begins January 1 and ends December 31 each year. A com-**  
9 **mission shall consult with the Director of Agriculture and the Department of Justice prior**  
10 **to adopting a rule described in this section. A rule described in this section may not take**  
11 **effect unless:**

12 (a) **The commission obtains any necessary approvals from taxing authorities to use a**  
13 **fiscal year that begins January 1 and ends December 31 when reporting information;**

14 (b) **The commission submits a recommendation regarding any plans and projects for the**  
15 **transition period of July 1 to December 31 to the director for review and approval as de-**  
16 **scribed in ORS 576.066; and**

17 (c) **Notwithstanding the annual basis requirement in ORS 576.416 (1), the commission**  
18 **prepares, submits for public comment, adopts and receives approval for a budget for the**  
19 **transition period as provided under ORS 576.416 (2) to (7).**

20 (2) **A recommendation submitted under ORS 576.066 regarding plans and projects for the**  
21 **transition period must be separately stated and presented for separate review and approval**  
22 **from any recommendation submitted under ORS 576.066 regarding plans and projects for the**  
23 **subsequent fiscal year.**

24 (3) **A budget prepared for a transition period must be submitted for public comment,**  
25 **adopted and approved separately from the budget prepared for the subsequent fiscal year.**  
26 **ORS 576.416 and this subsection do not prohibit a commission from submitting a transition**  
27 **period budget and fiscal year budget for separate public comment or adoption at the same**  
28 **public meeting.**

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New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

