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Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to the Invasive Species Council; amending ORS 570.770 and 570.780.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 570.770 is amended to read:

570.770. (1) The Invasive Species Council is established within the State Department of Agriculture. Except as provided in ORS 570.780 (1), the council shall consist of [15] **17** members. The following persons are voting ex officio members of the council:

(a) The Director of Agriculture or a designated representative.

(b) The president of Portland State University or a designated representative.

(c) The State Fish and Wildlife Director or a designated representative.

(d) The administrative head of the Sea Grant College of Oregon State University or a designated representative.

(e) The State Forester or a designated representative.

(f) The Director of the Department of Environmental Quality or a designated representative.

(g) The State Marine Director or a designated representative.

(2) The voting ex officio members of the council described in subsection (1) of this section shall collectively appoint [*nine*] **10** members to the council.

(3) The term of office of each appointed member is two years, but an appointed member serves at the pleasure of the voting ex officio members of the council. Before the expiration of a term, the voting ex officio members of the council shall appoint a successor whose term begins on January 1 next following. An appointed member may not serve more than two successive terms on the council. If there is a vacancy in an appointed member position for any cause, the voting ex officio members of the council shall make an appointment to become immediately effective for the unexpired term.

(4) In making appointments to the council, the voting ex officio members of the council shall endeavor to appoint persons representative of the geographic, cultural and economic diversity of this state. The voting ex officio members of the council may give consideration to nominations submitted by federal and state agencies, local governments, universities, industry and other groups having an interest in invasive species.

(5) An appointed member of the council is not entitled to compensation under ORS 292.495. A member of the council is not entitled to reimbursement for expenses. At the discretion of the council, council members may be reimbursed from funds available to the council for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by members of the council in the performance of their official duties, subject to the limits described in ORS 292.495.

SECTION 2. ORS 570.780 is amended to read:

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570.780. (1) Subject to available funding, the Invasive Species Council may appoint a State Invasive Species Coordinator to serve at the pleasure of the voting members of the council. If the council appoints a coordinator, the coordinator shall serve as a nonvoting ex officio member of the council.

(2) The State Department of Agriculture is responsible for ensuring payment of the administrative expenses of the council. The State Department of Agriculture may enter into interagency agreements under ORS 190.110 with the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, the State Forestry Department, the Department of Environmental Quality, **the State Marine Board**, Portland State University and Oregon State University for sharing the administrative expenses of the council.

(3) The State Department of Agriculture shall act as the fiscal agent of the council for purposes of:

(a) Budgeting, interagency agreements for sharing administrative expenses or other mechanisms for paying the administrative and other expenses of the council;

(b) Drafting and processing contracts, other agreements, grant applications or other documents;

(c) Receiving gifts, grants, donations or other moneys on behalf of the council and ensuring the appropriate crediting of those moneys to the Invasive Species Council Account or the trust account described in ORS 570.800; and

(d) Taking all reasonable actions to ensure the council is in compliance with state financial administration laws.

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