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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3358

1 On <u>page 1</u> of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 30 and delete <u>page</u> 2 <u>2</u> and insert:

"SECTION 1. There is allocated for the biennium beginning July 1,
2013, from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund,
to the Water Resources Department, the amount of \$2,000,000 for the
purpose of the issuing grants under section 2 of this 2013 Act.

"SECTION 2. (1) The Water Resources Department may issue grants
for studies to assess and further the planning and development of
water development projects to meet obligations to mitigate ground
water usage in the Deschutes River Basin.

"(2) The department shall ensure that the studies receiving grants
 under this section address, at a minimum, the potential to mitigate
 ground water usage in the basin through:

14 "(a) Creating new or expanded water storage;

"(b) Improving or altering operations at existing water storage fa cilities;

"(c) Employing new or improved methods and means for distribut ing, conveying or delivering water to a place of use;

19 "(d) Revising priorities for the allocation of stored water;

- 20 "(e) Promoting water reuse;
- 21 "(f) Promoting water conservation;
- 22 "(g) Protecting or restoring streamflows;

1 "(h) Improving water management;

2 "(i) Improving water measurement; and

"(j) Determining the seasonally varying flow requirements of
streams within the basin.

5 "(3) The studies receiving grants under this section must consider 6 how the amount of ground water usage and the ability to meet obli-7 gations to mitigate ground water usage in the basin may be affected 8 by potential changes in water supply and demand, including but not 9 limited to, changes related to climate change.

"(4) The recipients of grants under this section shall solicit the involvement of interested parties that are present or active in the basin
to act as a work group to assist in planning and carrying out the study
work.

"(5) In addition to any studies regarding the planning and develop ment of water development projects, the department may issue grants
 under this section for:

"(a) Comprehensive basin studies by the Bureau of Reclamation of
 the United States Department of the Interior relating to possible
 means for meeting obligations to mitigate ground water usage in the
 basin; and

"(b) Studies by the United States Army Corps of Engineers regarding the reallocation of water to meet obligations to mitigate ground
water usage in the basin.

"<u>SECTION 3.</u> (1) The Water Resources Department shall require the
 recipients of grants issued under section 2 of this 2013 Act to complete
 the studies funded by the grants no later than June 30, 2019.

"(2) The Water Resources Department shall report as provided under ORS 192.235 to 192.245 no later than October 1, 2019, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources regarding any available results from studies receiving grants under section 2 of this 2013 Act. The report may include any recommen dations for legislative action to allow for additional study or for leg islative action based upon study results.

"<u>SECTION 4.</u> This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect July 1, 2013.".

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