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SUMMARY

Requires that annual timber harvest on state forestlands in each subject forest district equal, at minimum, specified percentage of annual amount of harvestable timber expected to be grown on state forestlands in district. Establishes alternative harvest amount.

Applies to timber harvest and harvestable timber growth in calendar years beginning on or after January 1, 2016.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the amount of timber harvested from state forestlands; and de-
3 claring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. (1) Except as provided under subsection (2) of this**
6 **section, as part of managing state forestlands under ORS 530.050 to**
7 **secure the greatest permanent value of those lands to the state, the**
8 **State Forester shall manage forest districts so that the annual timber**
9 **harvest from state forestlands in each forest district, measured in**
10 **million board feet, at a minimum equals 85 percent of the annual**
11 **amount of harvestable timber expected to be grown on state**
12 **forestlands in that district under ORS 527.610 to 527.770. As used in this**
13 **subsection, “forest district” means state forestland that as of January**
14 **1, 2015, was administered by the State Forestry Department as the**
15 **Astoria, Forest Grove, Klamath-Lake, North Cascade, Southwest**
16 **Oregon, Tillamook, West Oregon or Western Lane district.**

17 **(2) If harvesting from state forestlands in any forest district iden-**
18 **tified in subsection (1) of this section cannot be conducted at a level**

1 that at a minimum equals 85 percent of the annual amount of
2 harvestable timber expected to be grown on state forestlands in that
3 district, the State Forester shall manage the state forestlands in the
4 districts described in subsection (1) of this section to produce a total
5 timber harvest from state forestlands in those districts that, measured
6 in million board feet, at a minimum equals 85 percent of the total
7 annual amount of harvestable timber expected to be grown on state
8 forestlands in those districts under ORS 527.610 to 527.770.

9 (3) If state forestlands in a district described in subsection (1) of
10 this section are exchanged for other lands, the acquired lands are
11 subject to subsections (1) and (2) of this section in the same manner
12 and to the same extent that subsections (1) and (2) of this section ap-
13 plied to the district state forestlands given in exchange.

14 SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2015 Act applies to timber harvests
15 and harvestable timber growth in calendar years beginning on or after
16 January 1, 2016.

17 SECTION 3. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate pres-
18 ervation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is de-
19 clared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.

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