

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

Senate Committee on Rules

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:

Vote:

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 5/5

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Recognizes importance of insect pollinators and urges support of programs to ensure safety and vitality of pollinator populations.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment

BACKGROUND: Oregon’s insect-pollinated agricultural economy generates approximately \$600 million per year. Pollinator populations have suffered significant losses over recent years potentially due to complex interactions among multiple stressors, including pests, pathogens, and viruses, poor nutrition, pesticide exposure, bee management practices, and a lack of genetic diversity.

House Concurrent Resolution 9 would recognize the importance of and urge support for programs that benefit pollinators.