

**PRELIMINARY** STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

House Committee on Consumer Protection and Government Efficiency

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

**SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:**

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**Action:**

**Vote:**

**Yeas:**

**Nays:**

**Exc.:**

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**Meeting Dates:** 5/26, 6/2

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Provides that agri-tourism provider is not liable for injury to or death of participant arising out of inherent risks of agri-tourism if agri-tourism provider posts certain notices. Provides exceptions. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Types of activities involved in agri-tourism
- Comparison to equine limited liability
- Educational benefits of agri-tourism
- Product of work group

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** The State of Oregon has a vibrant and growing agri-tourism industry, which includes vineyards, pumpkin patches, corn mazes, and a broad range of other activities. Oregon does not currently have a statute limiting the liability of agri-tourism operations. Such agri-tourism laws exist in over twenty other states.

Senate Bill 341-A provides that an agri-tourism provider is not liable for injury to or death of a participant arising out of the inherent risks of agri-tourism if the agri-tourism provider posts certain notices and has not acted negligently. The measure defines relevant terms and includes the exact warning language that must be posted.

***Senate floor vote: 30-0***