

BUDGET REPORT AND MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Action:

Action Date:

Vote:

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Agencies: Oregon Business Development Department; Higher Education Coordinating Commission

Biennium: 2015-17

Budget Summary*

	2013-15 Legislatively Approved Budget⁽¹⁾	2015-17 Current Service Level	2015-17 Committee Recommendation	Committee Change from 2013-15 Leg. Approved	
				\$ Change	% Change
<u>Oregon Business Development Department</u>					
Lottery Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000	100.0%
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000	100.0%
<u>Higher Education Coordinating Commission</u>					
General Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	100.0%
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	100.0%

⁽¹⁾ Includes adjustments through December 2014

* Excludes Capital Construction expenditures

Revenue Summary

House Bill 2998 is funded with a one-time Lottery Funds allocation to the Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) and a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). The bill has no long-term impacts on the revenues of OBDD or HECC. The allocation of Lottery Funds to OBDD will be included in the total amount of Lottery Funds that House Bill 5029 will allocate from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund to OBDD for business, innovation and trade.

Summary of Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee Action

House Bill 2998 requires OBDD to support and provide technical assistance for the harvesting of western juniper and the manufacturing of products from western juniper, and requires the Institute for Natural Resources to identify and map high quality marketable stands of western juniper. Western juniper grows across more than six million acres of central and eastern Oregon, with the majority of area forested by juniper being split between Bureau of Land Management and privately owned lands. Western juniper in Oregon has increased dramatically since the 1930's due to land management decisions, notably wildfire suppression. Juniper expansion affects plant communities, water availability, fire cycles, forage production and wildlife habitat and biodiversity.

Oregon Business Development Department

House Bill 2998 establishes a one-time \$800,000 Lottery Funds expenditure limitation for OBDD in the Business, Innovation, Trade Division, to support the harvesting of western juniper and the manufacturing of products from western juniper allocated as follows: (1) \$500,000 for providing economic development assistance as either loans or grants to persons engaged in the business of western juniper harvesting or of manufacturing products from western juniper, (2) \$200,000 for making technical business assistance available to persons engaged in the business of western

juniper harvesting or of manufacturing products from western juniper, (3) \$100,000 for workforce training assistance to persons engaged in the business of western juniper harvesting or of manufacturing products from western juniper.

Higher Education Coordinating Commission

The bill requires the Institute for Natural Resources, in consultation with the Oregon Department of Forestry, the Oregon Department of Agriculture and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and other interested parties, to identify and map high quality marketable stands of western juniper that can be harvested in a commercially and environmentally reasonable manner for use in marketing. The bill provides a one-time \$100,000 General Fund appropriation to the HECC to finance the mapping of marketable western juniper stands by the Institute for Natural Resources at Portland State University.

DETAIL OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS ACTION

HB 2998-B

Oregon Business Development Department
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Higher Education Coordinating Commission
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DESCRIPTION	GENERAL FUND	LOTTERY FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS		FEDERAL FUNDS		TOTAL ALL FUNDS	POS	FTE
			LIMITED	NONLIMITED	LIMITED	NONLIMITED			
<u>SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION</u>									
<u>Oregon Business Development Department</u>									
SCR 210 - Business, Innovation, Trade									
Special Payments	\$ -	\$ 800,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,000		
<u>Higher Education Coordinating Commission</u>									
SCR 025 - PU State Programs									
Special Payments	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000		
SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION	\$ 100,000	\$ 800,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900,000	0	0.00