Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session

BUDGET REPORT AND MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Action:

Action Date:

Vote:

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Reviewed By: Tim Walker, Legislative Fiscal Office

Agency: Department of Agriculture

Biennium: 2015-17

MEASURE: HB 3549 A

| Budget Summary | 2013-15 Legislatively Approved Budget | | 2015-17 | Current Service Level | 7 Committee nmendation | Committee Change from 2013-15 Leg. Approved | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|------|---------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|---------|----------|--|
| | | | | | | \$ | Change | % Change | |
| Other Funds | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ 255,000 | \$ | 255,000 | 100.0% | |
| Total | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ 255,000 | \$ | 255,000 | 100.0% | |
| Position Summary | | | | | | | | | |
| Authorized Positions | | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 0 | | |
| Full-time Equivalent (FTE) positions | | 0.00 | | 0.00 | 0.00 | | 0.00 | | |

Revenue Summary

House Bill 3549 is funded with Other Funds revenue from fees charged for aerial applicator certificates and pesticide product registration fees. The aerial applicator certificate is a new certificate authorized under the bill and the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) will need to undergo an administrative rulemaking process to establish the fee amount and term (not to exceed five years) for the certificate. Pesticide registration fees are currently charged by ODA at the statutory maximum rate of \$160 per year. House Bill 3549 increases the statutory maximum for pesticide registration fees to \$400, and ODA would need to undergo an administrative rulemaking process in order to increase the fee amount.

Summary of Natural Resources Subcommittee Action

House Bill 3549 requires the Oregon Department of Agriculture to establish qualifications for obtaining and maintaining an aerial pesticide applicator certificate, increases certain civil penalties, requires the Pesticide Analytical Response Center to develop standards for response to pesticide related complaints, and requires a biennial report to the Legislative Assembly. Additionally, the bill requires ODA to operate a telephone line to receive and coordinate responses to pesticide related complaints by the public and report to the Legislative Assembly biennially. Beginning January 1, 2016, a 60-foot unsprayed strip along inhabited dwellings or schools for aerial herbicide applicators is established and is to be included as part of the Forest Practices Act.

The Subcommittee provided ODA with \$255,000 Other Funds expenditure limitation to implement House Bill 3549. Of this expenditure limitation, \$90,000 Other Funds is provided on a one-time basis for rulemaking, changes to the ODA licensing system, and for a database to track complaints. The remaining \$165,000 Other Funds is added to establish and maintain a dedicated phone line to receive and coordinate responses to pesticide related complaints.

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| | | | OTHER FUNDS | | | | FEDERAL FUNDS | | | | TOTAL | | | |
|---|-----------------|------|-----------------|----|---------|------------|---------------|---------|------|------------|-------|--------------|-----|------|
| DESCRIPTION | GENERAI FUND | | OTTERY FUNDS | L | IMITED | NONLIMITED | | LIMITED | ı | NONLIMITED | | ALL FUNDS | POS | FTE |
| SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oregon Department of Agriculture SCR 020-02 - Natural Resource Policy Area Services and Supplies | _\$ | - \$ | - | \$ | 255,000 | \$ | - \$ | | - \$ | - | \$ | 255,000 | | |
| TOTAL SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION | \$ | - \$ | | \$ | 255,000 | \$ | - \$ | | - \$ | - | \$ | 255,000 | 0 | 0.00 |