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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2666

- On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 29 and delete page 2 and insert:
- "SECTION 2. (1) When determining under ORS 215.296 whether surface mining, processing or associated uses force a significant change in accepted farm or forest practices on surrounding lands devoted to farm or forest use or significantly increase the cost of accepted farm or forest practices on surrounding lands devoted to farm or forest use:

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- "(a) The local governing body, or its designee, may impose conditions of approval that are intended to resolve conflicts between surface mining, processing or associated uses and accepted farm or forest practices on surrounding lands devoted to farm or forest use, including the use of specific technology or methods of mitigation that are reasonable, cost-effective and do not adversely affect the economic viability of the proposed surface mining, processing or associated uses.
- "(b) If the applicant demonstrates that the proposed surface mining, processing and associated uses comply with applicable federal, state and local air quality, noise, water quality and other environmental standards, the proposed use meets the standards for approval described in ORS 215.296.
- "(c) For the purpose of transportation, the local governing body, or its designee, shall consider only whether the point of access be-

- tween the proposed mine site and the closest state highway, county road or city street meets the standards set by the Department of Transportation.
- "(2) When making the determination described in subsection (1) of this section, the local governing body, or its designee, shall use the following process:
- "(a) The local governing body, or its designee, shall consider evidence from persons or agents of persons engaged in accepted farm or
 forest practices on surrounding lands, relating to the standards for
 approval described in ORS 215.296.
 - "(b) The local governing body, or its designee, may not consider conflicts from transporting mining materials or products on a public road unless the conflict is associated with safe ingress to or egress from the site.
 - "(c) The local governing body, or its designee, shall consider a demonstration by the applicant that the proposed surface mining, processing and associated uses comply with federal, state and local air, noise, water quality and other environmental standards as complying with the standards for approval described in ORS 215.296.
 - "(d) If the local governing body, or its designee, finds substantial and objective evidence in the record to support a conclusion that the proposed surface mining, processing or associated uses violate the standards for approval described in ORS 215.296:
 - "(A) The local governing body, or its designee, shall specify the impact area within which the conflicts would occur on surrounding land from the proposed surface mining, processing or associated uses; and
- "(B) The applicant, or its agent, may present evidence to the local governing body, or its designee, demonstrating that the proposed surface mining, processing or associated use:

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"(i) Will not violate the standards described in ORS 215.296; or

"(ii) Can be made to minimize the conflicts with accepted farm or forest practices through the conditions of approval described in subsection (1)(a) of this section.".

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