

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Consumer Protection and Government Effectiveness

Fiscal: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

Revenue: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

Action Date:

Action:

Meeting Dates: 02/09

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows local government to inhibit or prevent production or use of seed or seed products for purpose of protecting seed or seed products that are not genetically engineered from adverse impacts of genetically engineered seed or products.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

Proposed -3 amendments replace measure with labeling requirements for genetically engineered fish destined for human consumption. Direct State Department of Agriculture to adopt rules. Establish effective dates.

BACKGROUND:

ORS 633.738 prohibits local governments from enacting or enforcing regulations of production or use of agricultural seed, flower seed, nursery seed, vegetable seed or products of any of those seeds. House Bill 4122 creates an exception for local governments acting to protect the production or use of seed or products that are not genetically engineered from adverse impacts of seeds or products that are.