

HB 2268 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Energy and Environment

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Modifies underground storage tank fees.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Replaces measure. Establishes the following fee schedule for each underground storage tank subject to permit requirements: \$195 for the calendar year 2018; \$245 for the calendar year 2019; \$295 for the calendar year 2020; \$325 for the calendar year 2021; and \$325 for each subsequent calendar year.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal impact issued

BACKGROUND:

Federal and state laws regulate underground storage tanks used to store petroleum and other hazardous substances. Compliance with these regulations is intended to prevent leaks that can contaminate air, groundwater and soil. Oregon's Underground Storage Tank Program (UST) is part of the DEQ's Operations Division. The UST program handles issues related to tank registration and operating certificates; installation, operation and removal of USTs; cleanup of soil and groundwater contamination from petroleum leaks; training of system operators; financial liability protection for future leaks, licensing of contractors working on USTs and enforcement of state UST rules. The UST per tank fee was last increased in 2007 from \$85 to \$135.

House Bill 2268 modifies UST fees.