SB 929 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) to adopt rules to classify neonicotinoids as restricted use pesticides. Authorizes ODA to restrict sale to and use of pesticide products containing neonicotinoids to specified persons. Identifies exceptions to ODA authority to restrict sale to and use of pesticide products containing neonicotinoids. Requires pesticide use safety plan developed by Oregon State University to include, but not be limited to, information regarding sale and use restrictions of pesticide products containing neonicotinoids.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

ORS 634.316 authorizes the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) to establish, maintain and amend lists of pesticides which are restricted-use pesticides. ODA has adopted by rule restrictions on use and application of specific pesticides in Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 603, Division 57.

Senate Bill 929 would direct ODA to classify neonicotinoids as restricted use pesticides by rule.