

**SB 1036 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Environment and Natural Resources**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Amends statutory definition of "surface mining" to exclude the excavation or movement of materials at a landfill site for the primary purposes listed and for which the Department of Environmental Quality has issued a permit under the solid waste management disposal site statutes (ORS 459.205 to 459.385).

*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:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The reclamation of mined lands is regulated under ORS Chapter 517. Most mines in Oregon are aggregate mines. The Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) administers the state's surface mining reclamation program and issues operating permits for material extraction activity that exceeds one acre of disturbance in any 12-month period or 5,000 cubic yards of excavation in any 12-month period.

Senate Bill 1036 would revise the statutory definition of surface mining to exempt from DOGAMI permitting requirements the excavation and movement of materials at a landfill permitted by the Department of Environmental Quality .