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**To:** Ways and Means Full Committee  
**From:** Natural Resources Subcommittee  
**Re:** HB 3249 Relating to land conservation

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**Senator Frederick:** “HB 3249 establishes the Oregon Agricultural Heritage Commission and the Oregon Agricultural Heritage Fund. The bill directs the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board to staff the commission. OWEB is to establish grant programs to benefit owners of working land for succession planning, conservation management planning, covenants and easements.

The measure includes a \$190,000 General Fund appropriation to OWEB to staff the commission and setup the grants program. There is no money for making grants included in the bill.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 3249 be amended by the –2 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.”