

## HB 2950 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Economic Development and Trade

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**Action Date:** 03/22/17

**Action:** Do pass and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference

**Vote:** 9-0-0-0

**Yeas:** 9 - Clem, Gomberg, Helm, Lewis, Lininger, Marsh, Post, Reschke, Smith DB

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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#### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates \$1.54 million to the City of St. Helens for central waterfront redevelopment and Portland Harbor cleanup support. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

#### ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- City of St. Helens waterfront redevelopment project
- Former Boise Cascade veneer mill site
- Overcapacity of sewage lagoon and redevelopment options

#### EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

#### BACKGROUND:

The City of St. Helens is currently exploring ways to fund redevelopment projects on the waterfront. The primary area of focus is the former Boise Cascade veneer mill site adjacent to the St. Helens Historic Riverfront District. The City of St. Helens purchased the site of the Boise Cascade veneer mill in 2015.

House Bill 2950 would appropriate \$1.54 million to the City of St. Helens for support of their waterfront redevelopment plan.