

# House Bill 3006

Sponsored by Representative HAYDEN

## SUMMARY

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Requires State Forestry Department to identify Oregon-based contractors qualified to provide wildfire fighting personnel, equipment and other resources. Requires department to use appropriate and available resources of qualified Oregon-based contractors before using other resources.

Applies to fire seasons beginning on or after January 1, 2019.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to wildfire fighting resources.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2017 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 477.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) The State Forestry Department shall establish a list of Oregon-based**  
6 **contractors that the department determines to be qualified to supply the department with**  
7 **wildfire fighting personnel, equipment and other resources. To develop the list, the depart-**  
8 **ment shall evaluate Oregon-based contractors, determine the location, extent, nature and**  
9 **quality of contractor personnel, equipment and other resources that can respond to a dis-**  
10 **patch order by the department, and rank equivalent contractors according to cost effective-**  
11 **ness.**

12 **(2) The department shall dispatch any appropriate and available resources of qualified**  
13 **Oregon-based contractors for the suppression or prevention of wildfires before obtaining re-**  
14 **sources for wildfire fighting contracted through a federal agency.**

15 **SECTION 3. The State Forestry Department shall establish an initial list of Oregon-**  
16 **qualified contractors under section 2 of this 2017 Act in time to use the wildfire fighting re-**  
17 **sources of listed Oregon-based contractors for fire seasons beginning on or after January 1,**  
18 **2019.**

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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.