

Senate Bill 809

Sponsored by Senator KNOPP

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Governor to review terms of Good Neighbor Authority Agreement. Requires Governor to work with United States Forest Service to give priority to projects expected to produce increased timber harvest volumes and greatest economic benefit to state. Requires Governor to report review and prioritization progress to interim committee of Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2018.

Sunsets January 2, 2022.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** (1) **As used in this section, "Good Neighbor Authority Agreement" means**
5 **the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement that the Governor, the State Forester and the State**
6 **Fish and Wildlife Director entered into with the United States Forest Service on March 29,**
7 **2016.**

8 (2) **The Governor shall review the terms of the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement and**
9 **attempt to identify agreement terms that establish project parameters, including but not**
10 **limited to parameters that affect timber harvest volume, job creation, fire prevention and**
11 **response on forestland, and economic stimulation. To the extent allowed by the agreement,**
12 **the Governor shall work with the United States Forest Service to give priority to projects**
13 **expected to produce increased timber harvest volumes each fiscal year in excess of the**
14 **congressionally funded forest service outputs and to produce the greatest financial return**
15 **to Oregon.**

16 (3) **The Governor shall file a progress report regarding review and prioritization efforts**
17 **under this section with an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to eco-**
18 **nomic development, in the manner provided under ORS 192.245, no later than September 15,**
19 **2018. The progress report must include, but need not be limited to, information regarding**
20 **how Oregon participation in the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement has directly contrib-**
21 **uted to job creation, timber outputs, acres treated and wildfire prevention or mitigation.**

22 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this 2017 Act is repealed on January 2, 2022.

23 **SECTION 3.** This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
24 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect**
25 **on its passage.**

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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.
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