Senate Bill 1502

Sponsored by Senators COURTNEY, HANSELL (Presession filed.)

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.

Allows county in eastern Oregon with population of less than 50,000 to approve land use applications on certain nonresource lands for certain industrial or commercial uses that are inconsistent with zoning of such nonresource lands.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to land use in counties located in eastern Oregon with populations under 50,000.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law and except as provided in this section, a county in eastern Oregon, as defined in ORS 321.700, with a population of less than 50,000 may approve land use applications on nonresource lands located in the county for industrial or commercial uses that are inconsistent with the zoning of the nonresource lands if:

(1) The nonresource lands are:

(a) Outside all city urban growth boundaries; and

(b) Composed of soils of Class VI or higher according to the soil classification system of the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture; and

(2) The uses comply with:

(a) State, local and federal policy for protection of sage grouse habitat; and

(b) All laws and rules applicable to areas of critical state concern designated under ORS 197.405.

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.