

HB 2060 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Agriculture and Land Use

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Authorizes the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) to order condemnation or closure of certain food establishments if the required ODA authorization for operation has not been obtained or has lapsed. Requires ODA give notice to the food establishment owner or operator at least 30 days prior to any condemnation or closure order. Makes violation of an order subject to a civil penalty, not to exceed \$10,000 per violation.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) is responsible for the inspection and regulation of food establishment operations. ORS 616.695 broadly defines food establishments as: 1) places where food storing, preparing, compounding, manufacturing, processing, freezing, packaging, distributing, handling, salvaging, or displaying occurs, 2) the ground upon and adjacent to operations, and 3) vehicles, machinery, equipment, utensils, tools, fixtures, implements, and all other items used to operate the business.

House Bill 2060 would authorize the Oregon Department of Agriculture to order condemnation and closure of certain food establishments and would establish a civil penalty for order violation.