

SB 844 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates \$3 million to Oregon State University to develop, implement, and operate a website to provide information relating to chemical and nonchemical solutions for plant pest problems. Declares emergency, effective on July 1, 2019.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon State University is a public research university with two campuses, 11 colleges, 14 experiment stations, 36 extension offices, and over 200 academic programs. OSU's Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Extension Program provides research-based knowledge in a wide variety of topics, including integrated pest management strategies. Senate Bill 844 provides \$3 million to OSU to develop a website to inform the public about chemical and nonchemical plant pest solutions.