

HB 2068 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

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Meeting Dates: 4/18

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Increases percentage of nonresident tags issued by drawing for hunting of black bear and cougar from a maximum of three percent to five percent of total tags.

Minimal fiscal impact; no revenue impact

House vote: Ayes, 57; Nays, 2--Mitchell, Sanchez; Excused, 1--Keny-Guyer

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) caps nonresident tags for bear, cougar, and antelope at three percent, and both elk and deer at five percent issued by drawing. According to ODFW, two percent of spring bear and antelope hunt tags were drawn at random by nonresidents in 2018.

House Bill 2068 A would increase the percentage of nonresident tags issued by drawing for hunting of black bear and cougar from a maximum of three percent to five percent of total tags.