

## **HB 5003 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

### **Joint Committee On Ways and Means**

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/4, 2/5, 2/6, 5/16, 5/24

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

HB 5003 is the fee ratification bill for the Department of Agriculture. The bill includes changes to fees that were administratively adopted or adjusted by rule during the interim and must be ratified by the Legislature at the next session.

The measure includes a 3% increase on the annual license for the Food Safety Program, two 5% increases to the annual license for the Weights and Measures Program, and changes to the fees for the Certifications Program to align fees with the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) for services the Department conducts on behalf of USDA.

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Amount of revenue anticipated from fees
- Amendment to fix drafting error
- Department's budget bill (HB 5002) assumes ratification of these fees

#### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

Corrects the timeframe of license fees for refrigerated locker plants. Changes "semiannual" to "annual" and "annual" to "half year."

#### **BACKGROUND:**

ORS 291.055(1)(e) requires all new state agency fees or fee increases adopted during the period beginning on the date of adjournment sine die of a regular session of the Legislative Assembly and ending on the date of adjournment sine die of the next regular session of the Legislative Assembly are rescinded on adjournment sine die of the next regular session of the Legislative Assembly unless authorized by enabling legislation setting forth the approved fees.