

HJM 1 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Rules

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Meeting Dates: 5/29

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Urges the President and Congress to enact the Forest Management for Rural Stability Act.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Nearly 53 percent of Oregon's land base is comprised of national forests, revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands (O&C lands), and other land owned by the federal government. For many decades, timber sales on federal land resulted in shared federal timber receipts with Oregon. Reduced timber harvests have resulted in corresponding reduction in shared timber receipts. The Forest Management for Rural Stability Act (FMRSA) introduced in the U.S. Senate would provide guaranteed annual payments to Oregon to support schools and counties.