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## Joint Committee on Ways and Means

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**To:** Natural Resources Subcommittee

**From:** John Terpening, Legislative Fiscal Office

**Date:** June 3, 2019

**Subject:** HB 2829 – Relating to the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund

House Bill 2829 establishes the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund within the State Department of Fish and Wildlife for carrying out activities serving to protect, maintain or enhance fish and wildlife resources in Oregon. The measure also establishes the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Advisory Committee to review department policies regarding use of money within the established fund and make recommendations regarding use of fund moneys for implementing and administering department activities.

The -4 amendment removes the original General Fund appropriation and establishes a \$1 million General Fund Special Purpose Appropriation (SPA) to the Emergency Board. This money is set aside for the 2019-21 biennium and can be released to the Department of Fish and Wildlife if \$1 million of private funds, non-state or federal sources, are received as match. If \$1 million of private matching funds are not deposited by the end of the biennium, the \$1 million in the SPA reverts to the General Fund and the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund is sunset.

If private matching funds are received, or if Federal legislation passes that provides additional federal monies related to conservation, the Department may return to the Legislature for additional resources.

There is a minimal fiscal impact to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for staffing the Advisory Committee.

### Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the -4 amendment.

**MOTION:** I move adoption of the -4 amendment to HB 2829. (VOTE)

**Final Subcommittee Action**

MOTION: I move HB 2829 to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation.  
(VOTE)

**Carriers**

Full Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

House Floor: \_\_\_\_\_

Senate Floor: \_\_\_\_\_