Representative Holvey

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 5018 Department of Environmental Quality - fee bill

HB 5018 ratifies fee modifications in the Department of Environmental Quality that were implemented through administrative rule during the interim. Fees were modified for Underground Injection Control permits and for the air toxics program, known as Cleaner Air Oregon.

The Underground Injection Control permits were last increased in 2007. The fees are increased 7% and are anticipated to generate \$25,000 in 2019-21 to support the current program.

The fee schedule for the air toxics program were established by the Department by rule as directed in SB 1541 in the 2018 session. The fees are anticipated to generate \$4,847,282 Other Funds revenue to support the program. The fees are set at the statutory cap of 35% over base permit fees paid in 2018, and this cap is in place until 2024.

The revenue from these fees are assumed in the Department's budget.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 5018 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.