

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**HB 2073**

**Relating to forest products harvest taxation**

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HB 2073 revises statute to extend the application of the harvest tax to calendar years 2020 and 2021 and updates privilege tax rates on forest products harvested on forest lands in Oregon.

The portions of the harvest tax included in the bill provide funding for:

- The Oregon State University Forest Research Lab;
- Forestry education programs at Oregon State University;
- The Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund; and
- Up to 40% of the costs of administrating the Forest Practices Act by the Oregon Department of Forestry.

All rates are continued at the same rate as the previous two-year period except for the portion dedicated to the administration of the Forest Practices Act, which is decreased by 17.89 cents per thousand board feet.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 2073 be amended by the -3 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.