

HB 2747 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Barreto

House Committee On Natural Resources

Action Date: 04/02/19

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 5-2-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Barreto, McKeown, Smith DB, Sprenger, Witt

Nays: 2 - Gorsek, Reardon

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 2/19, 4/2

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Revises requirements for membership on Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission (Commission). Requires that Commission be made up of three members from east of the Cascades, three members from west of the Cascades, and one member appointed at large. Establishes that at least one member own or manage an active agricultural operation. Establishes that at least one member must have held a hunting or fishing license issued by the State of Oregon for a minimum of five years prior to appointment.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Work group recommendations
- Current membership of Fish and Wildlife Commission
- Representation of specific interest groups
- Fish and Wildlife Commission make-up in western states

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission (Commission) was established in 1975. The Commission develops state programs and policies concerning management and conservation of fish and wildlife resources, and establishes hunting seasons and bag limits. Under current law, the Commission consists of seven members, one from each of the state congressional districts.

House Bill 2747 A would revise the requirements for membership on the Commission.