

**HB 2068 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Sen. Roblan

**Senate Committee On Environment and Natural Resources**

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**Action Date:** 04/25/19  
**Action:** Do pass the A-Eng bill.  
**Vote:** 4-0-1-0  
**Yeas:** 4 - Bentz, Dembrow, Prozanski, Roblan  
**Exc:** 1 - Olsen  
**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact  
**Revenue:** No revenue impact  
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**Meeting Dates:** 4/18, 4/25

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Increases the percentage of nonresident tags issued by drawing for hunting of black bear and cougar from a maximum of three percent to five percent of total tags.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Measure will not increase the total number of tags issued; measure will increase the opportunity for nonresidents
- Cost of resident and nonresident tags
- Hunting regulation simplification effort; measure will result in consistency in percentage cap of nonresident tags

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Currently, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) caps the issuance of nonresident controlled hunt tags for bear, cougar, and antelope at three percent, and both elk and deer at five percent issued by drawing. According to ODFW, two percent of spring bear and antelope controlled hunt tags were drawn at random by nonresidents in 2018.

House Bill 2068 A would increase the percentage of nonresident tags issued by drawing for controlled hunts of black bear and cougar from a maximum of three percent to five percent of total tags.