HB 3309 A   STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Smith DB

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Action Date:	05/31/19
Action:	Do Pass the A-Eng bill.
House Vote	
Yeas:	8 - Gomberg, Holvey, McLain, Nosse, Piluso, Rayfield, Smith G, Stark
Exc:	1 - McLane
Senate Vote	
Yeas:	10 - Beyer, Frederick, Girod, Hansell, Heard, Johnson, Manning Jr, Roblan, Steiner Hayward, Wagner
Exc:	2 - Thomsen, Winters
Fiscal:	Has minimal fiscal impact
Revenue:	No revenue impact
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Meeting Dates:	5/29, 5/31

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Repeals restriction that new essential facilities and new special occupancy structures may not be constructed in tsunami inundation zone (ORS 455.446). Repeals requirement that State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) Board adopt tsunami inundation zone parameters. Repeals requirement that DOGAMI grant exceptions to restrictions in tsunami inundation zone. Establishes that excavation or grading operations that are associated with on-site construction activities, and do not result in excavated materials being sold commercially, are not defined as 'surface mining' (ORS 517.750).

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Merits of the bill

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) helps increase understanding of Oregon's geologic resources and hazards through science and stewardship. DOGAMI operates a Geological Survey and Services program which develops maps, reports, and data to help Oregon manage natural resources and prepare for natural hazards. DOGAMI also operates a Mineral Land Regulation and Reclamation program which oversees mineral production in Oregon. Currently, DOGAMI determines a tsunami inundation zone on the Oregon coast, where essential facilities may not be constructed.

The measure would repeal the restriction that new essential facilities may not be built in the tsunami inundation zone, repeal the requirement that DOGAMI adopt tsunami inundation zone parameters, and change exemptions under the definition of surface mining.