## Senate Bill 812

Sponsored by Senator ROBLAN, Representatives WITT, GOMBERG

## **SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.** 

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board for grants to Association of Oregon Counties to fund contracted services for coordination of tide gate permitting.

Appropriates moneys for position within State Department of Fish and Wildlife to provide technical support related to tide gate projects.

Appropriates moneys for position within department to provide fish passage engineering services related to tide gates.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to state finance; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$250,000, which may be expended as grants to the Association of Oregon Counties for the purpose of obtaining contracted services to coordinate tide gate permitting, including but not limited to technical assistance for tide gate owners and interagency liaison services to help direct tide gate projects through permitting and funding processes.

SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$262,000 for funding a position within the department dedicated to providing technical support related to tide gate projects, including but not limited to assistance in the evaluation of tide gate options with regard to fish habitat, fish passage, tidal inundation and other factors, consultation with appropriate experts, local governments and stakeholders, assistance in the identification of tide gate options and assistance with the resolution of project development issues.

SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$348,100 for funding a position within the department dedicated to providing fish passage engineering services related to tide gates, including but not limited to collaboration with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and others to facilitate the identification of regulatory compliance options for tide gate projects by evaluating proposed tide gate engineering designs.

SECTION 4. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect July 1, 2019.

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