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**To:** Senate Natural Resources and Wildfire Recovery Committee

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**Subject:** 2022 Committee LCs

**LC 36** would direct the Oregon State University Extension Service to expand the Center for Small Farms and Community Food Systems by cluster hiring to fill five additional organic specialist positions. The measure also directs the Oregon Business Development Department to conduct a comprehensive statewide market analysis of the totality of economic impacts of Oregon's organic products sector and specifies minimum requirements for the market analysis.

**LC 224** would make three changes to 2021 wildfire policy legislation (SB 762):

- Makes federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon eligible for certain grants related to clean air shelters and smoke filtration systems.
- Increases the minimum age for participation in the Oregon Conservation Corps program from 13 to 16 years old.
- Revises language to instruct the Department of Land Conservation and Development to identify "recommended changes" in place of "updates" to statewide land use planning program and local comprehensive plans and zoning codes related to wildfire risk, and to report to Legislative Assembly, State Wildfire Programs Director, and the Wildfire Programs Advisory Council on recommended changes on or before October 1, 2022.

**LC 240** would establish state policy to increase carbon sequestration in, and the resilience of, natural and working lands and waters of the state. Directs the Oregon Global Warming Commission (Commission) to appoint a natural and working lands and waters advisory committee to advise the Commission in the performance of its duties related to natural and working lands and waters. Requires the Departments of Forestry, Agriculture, and Land Conservation and Development to monitor their agency's progress toward advancing the state policy and report findings to the Commission no later than August 1 of each even-numbered year. Directs the Institute for Natural Resources (INR), in coordination and consultation with specified agencies, to develop a natural and working lands and waters carbon sequestration inventory, a 2010 - 2019 carbon sequestration baseline for natural and working lands and waters, and recommendations for activity-based metrics and community impact metrics. Directs Commission, after consultation with advisory committee, to

accept or modify the draft metrics and report on adopted metrics, including recommendations for legislation, to interim legislative committees no later than September 15, 2023. Directs INR to study the workforce and economic development potential of strategies to increase carbon sequestration in natural and working lands and waters and identifies required components of study. Changes date for Commission biennial report to Legislature from March 31 to September 15 of each odd-numbered year and adds requirement that report include a description of activities that further policies for carbon sequestration in natural and working lands and waters.