

**HB 2787 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**House Committee On Agriculture and Natural Resources**

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/4

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), in consultation with Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), to study laws related to permitting of animal rendering facilities and provide recommendations for legislation. Requires DEQ to provide the study results in a report to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2022. Sunsets on January 2, 2023. Takes effect on 91<sup>st</sup> day following adjournment sine die.

*REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.*

*FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.*

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Department of Environmental Quality describes rendering as a process of reducing, converting, or melting down fat by heating to produce products that can be used in foods or to make soap, candles, or lubricants. Animal rendering facilities process animal by-product materials to produce tallow, grease, and high-protein meat and bone meal.

HB 2787 would direct the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), in consultation with Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), to study laws related to permitting of animal rendering facilities, provide recommendations for legislation, and report to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2022.