HB 2246 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Agriculture and Natural Resources

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Prohibits the director of the Department of State Lands from requiring enhancement of, or other conditions in, wetlands to correct violation of removal-fill law.

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: Fiscal impact issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon's removal-fill law requires landowners who plan to remove or fill material in wetlands or waterways to obtain a permit from the Department of State Lands. The law applies to all landowners, whether private individuals or public agencies. In wetlands and waterways, a permit is required if an activity involves filling or removing a combined volume of 50 cubic yards or more of removal, fill, or alteration of material.

House Bill 2246 would prohibit the director of the Department of State Lands from requiring enhancement of, or other conditions in, wetlands to correct violation of removal-fill law.