

HB 2286 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Agriculture and Natural Resources

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 4/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes the Task Force on Wildlife consisting of seven members: a member of the Senate appointed by the Senate President, a member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker, and five individuals appointed by the Governor. Directs the Task Force to study and make recommendations concerning improvements to wildlife management and submit a report to an interim legislative committee related to natural resources no later than September 15, 2022. Directs the Department of Fish and Wildlife to provide staff support to Task Force. Repeals Task Force on December 31, 2022. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

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 Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Wildlife Division, is responsible for monitoring the numbers and health of wildlife species, setting population conservation and management objectives, overseeing wildlife habitat restoration and maintenance, and regulating harvest of game animals. The Wildlife Division is organized into three program areas: Conservation, Game, and Habitat.

House Bill 2286 would establishes the Task Force on Wildlife.