### SB 5503 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

# **Joint Committee On Ways and Means**

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## WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Senate Bill 5503 is the fee ratification bill for the Department of Agriculture. The bill includes changes to fees that were administratively adopted or adjusted by rule during the interim and must be ratified by the Legislature at the next session.

The measure includes changes to the fees for the Certifications Program to align fees with the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) for services the Department conducts on behalf of USDA. The measure also includes the new fees for Animal Rescue Entity licenses from the program established by SB 883 (2019).

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Fiscal impact of the measure
- Proposed amendment
- Department's budget bill (SB 5502) assumes ratification of these fees

### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-1 The -1 amendment adds new fees for Animal Rescue Entity licenses from the program that was established by SB 883 (2019). These fees were administratively approved after SB 5503 had already been drafted and need to be amended in for ratification by the legislature.

# **BACKGROUND:**

ORS 291.055(1)(e) requires all new state agency fees or fee increases adopted during the period beginning on the date of adjournment sine die of a regular session of the Legislative Assembly and ending on the date of adjournment sine die of the next regular session of the Legislative Assembly are rescinded on adjournment sine die of the next regular session of the Legislative Assembly unless authorized by enabling legislation setting forth the approved fees.