

## **Open Government Impact Statement**

81st Oregon Legislative Assembly 2021 Regular Session

## Measure: HB 2572

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## SUMMARY

Provides that spread of fire in forestland across ownership boundary does not constitute prima facie evidence of fire burning uncontrolled if owners or operators of forestland on both sides of ownership boundary agree in advance to conduct prescribed fire.

Provides that owner or operator of forestland on which prescribed fire exists need not extinguish fire if owners or operators of forestland on both sides of ownership boundary agree in advance of fire that fire may be conducted as prescribed fire and fire remains on forestland of owners or operators that agreed to fire. Prohibits State Forester from determining that fire that spreads across ownership boundary is burning uncontrolled if owners or operators of forestland on both sides of boundary agree in advance to conduct prescribed fire and fire remains on forestland of owners or operators that agreed to fire.

Provides that person does not commit offense of unlawful use of fire if person has knowledge of prescribed fire burning on person's own land and does not extinguish prescribed fire.

Requires State Board of Forestry, by December 1, 2021, to consult with Oregon Prescribed Fire Council concerning best practices for conducting Certified Burn Manager program, to initiate rulemaking to establish program and to report to appropriate committee or subcommittee of Legislative Assembly on progress in establishing and implementing program.

Appropriates moneys to board for purpose of establishing and implementing program.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

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