SB 794 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Agriculture and Natural Resources

Action Date: 05/13/21

Action: Do Pass. Vote: 8-2-0-0

Yeas: 8 - Breese-Iverson, Hudson, Marsh, McLain, Reardon, Smith DB, Williams, Witt

Nays: 2 - Cate, Post

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued **Revenue:** No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 5/4, 5/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires the range of user fees adopted by the State Parks and Recreation Commission for use of recreational vehicles at areas established and maintained by the State Parks and Recreation Department to be 25 percent greater for nonresidents than for residents. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Impact of COVID-19 on State Parks and Recreation Department's budget
- Percentage of recreational vehicle sites booked by nonresidents in Oregon
- Examples of other states that charge nonresidents more than residents to use state parks

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission (Commission) sets rates for the use of park facilities. The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) collects user fees for overnight and day use facilities, and reservations.

Senate Bill 794 would require the Commission to set fees 25 percent higher for nonresidents than for residents for use of recreational vehicles at areas established and maintained by OPRD.

Carrier: Rep. Williams