

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3282

Ordered by the House April 19
Including House Amendments dated April 19

Sponsored by Representative SMITH DB; Representative WALLAN

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Requires State Forestry Department to [*study and make recommendations to interim committee of Legislative Assembly regarding wildfire prevention*] **establish by rule pilot grant program for purpose of managing wildfire risk by certain methods.**

Sunsets [*January 2*] **grant program on June 30, 2023.**

Appropriates moneys to department out of General Fund for purpose of funding grant program.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to wildfire; and prescribing an effective date.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The State Forestry Department shall establish by rule a pilot grant pro-**
5 **gram for the purpose of managing wildfire risk by:**

6 (a) **Encouraging methods that include, but are not limited to, clearing ladder fuels, cre-**
7 **ating slash piles, removing underbrush and using other forest management practices.**

8 (b) **Promoting the use of air curtains by persons that make biochar.**

9 (2) **In administering the program, the department:**

10 (a) **Shall develop criteria for receiving a grant and a process for applying for a grant; and**

11 (b) **May require a recipient of a grant to report to the department on the use of the grant**
12 **funds.**

13 **SECTION 2. There is appropriated to the State Forestry Department, for the biennium**
14 **beginning on July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$1,000,000 for the purpose**
15 **of funding the grant program described in section 1 of this 2021 Act.**

16 **SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on June 30, 2023.**

17 **SECTION 4. This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021**
18 **regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.