Senate Bill 675

Sponsored by Senator HEARD (Presession filed.)

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 as introduced.

Instructs State Forestry Department to establish by rule pilot program to encourage salvage of timber from lands owned or managed by State Board of Forestry or department that have been affected by wildfire.

Sunsets pilot program on January 2, 2030.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the salvage of timber.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The State Forestry Department shall, by rule, establish a pilot program to encourage the salvage of timber from lands owned or managed by the State Board of Forestry or the department that have been affected by wildfire.

(2) The department shall select a rural county in Oregon in which the pilot program will operate.

(3) The rules must:

(a) Encourage reforestation after harvest of the timber; and

(b) Provide that a person harvesting the timber receive a portion of the profits from the sale of the timber.

(4) To implement this section, the State Forester may take any of the actions authorized by ORS 530.050 (2), (3), (4), (6), (8) and (9).

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2030.