

HB 3464 -2 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Removes beavers from definitions of “predatory animal” and “rodent” for purposes of certain statutes relating to taking of predatory animals. Requires Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission (Commission) to adopt rules on or before December 31, 2024, related to taking of beavers. Requires Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to publish annual report related to taking of beavers and to make report available to public.

- *FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement issued yet*
- *REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement issued yet*

No subsequent referral

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-2 Deletes “Whether, and under which conditions,” and inserts “Under which conditions” in sentence authorizing a person to take a beaver without a permit if the beaver is causing damage to property or infrastructure.

BACKGROUND:

Beavers causing damage on private property are defined as predatory animals under ORS 610.002. Current state law allows unlimited beaver killing on private land without a permit.

House Bill 3464 would require the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to adopt rules related to taking of beavers and require the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to publish annual report related to taking of beavers.