

HB 3440 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows counties with a population between 200,000 and 650,000 to distribute receipts from sales of certain mineral rights or lands acquired on foreclosure of tax liens, by exchange, devise, or gift through alternative mechanisms.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon’s mineral production is overseen by the Mineral Land Regulation and Reclamation program which works to minimize impacts of natural resource extraction and to maximize opportunities for land reclamation. The land-use authority (most commonly the county) determines the eligibility for a parcel of land to be mined and the secondary beneficial use to which the land is returned upon completion of mining.

House Bill 3440 would allow counties with a population between 200,000 and 650,000 to distributed receipts from sales of certain mineral rights or certain lands through alternative mechanisms.