

HB 2633 -3 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

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

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows person who submits application for compensation under wolf depredation compensation and financial assistance grant program to amend application within one month of submission and establishes a procedure for the applicant to provide an estimate of the potential cost of the livestock management techniques or nonlethal wolf deterrence techniques. Provides that compensation for probable or confirmed loss or injury to livestock or working dogs under the wolf depredation compensation and financial assistance grant program to be based on a multiplier of not more than seven times the fair market value of the livestock or working dog.

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:

-3 Establishes compensation rates for probable or confirmed loss or injury of livestock or working dogs based on one hundred percent of the fair market value of yearling cattle and sheep, adult male cattle and sheep and of working dogs and two hundred percent of the fair market value of breeding female cattle and sheep and of juvenile cattle and sheep that are less than one year old in addition to the recommendation of the county advisory committee.

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BACKGROUND:

In 2021 ODFW reported 175 recorded wolves in Oregon. On June 24, 2011 the Oregon Legislature passed House Bill 3560, which directed the Oregon Department of Agriculture to establish and implement a wolf depredation compensation and financial assistance grant program, using moneys in the Wolf Management Compensation and Proactive Trust Fund to provide grants to assist counties to implement county wolf depredation compensation programs.

House Bill 2633 would allow applicants for compensation under the wolf depredation compensation and financial assistance grant program to amend their application and provide that compensation for probable or confirmed loss or injury to livestock or working dogs under the program to be based on a multiplier of not more than seven times the fair market value of the livestock or working dog.