

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

### **HB 2087**

#### **Relating to Forest Products Harvest Taxation**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee  
From: Natural Resources Subcommittee  
Carrier: Senator Dembrow

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HB 2087 is the Harvest Tax bill. The measure extends three components of the harvest tax for two years that would otherwise expire at the end the 2023 calendar year. These components fund a portion of the activities of the OSU Forest Research Laboratory, a portion of the administration of the Forest Practices Act by the Oregon Department of Forestry, and professional forestry education at OSU.

The bill adjusts the rate pertaining to the administration of the Forest Practices Act; changing the rate per thousand board feet from 207.02 cents to 253.46 cents. The changed rate is required to support up to 40 percent of the budgeted expenditures for the administration of the Act based on projected harvest volumes as of March 31, 2023.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 2087 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.