82nd OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY--2023 Regular Session

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3130

By COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LAND USE, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND WATER

March 6

1 Delete lines 4 through 11 of the printed bill and insert:

2 "<u>SECTION 1.</u> In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appro-3 priated to the Water Resources Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of 4 the General Fund, the amount of \$_____, which shall be expended for:

"(1) Funding a staff position at the department; and

6 "(2) Allocating moneys to an entity located within Harney County, jointly agreed to by 7 the department and Harney County Court, for contracting with a qualified entity to:

8 "(a) Advise ground water users in the Greater Harney Valley Groundwater Area of Con-9 cern, and other interested stakeholders that work on ground water management in the 10 Greater Harney Valley Groundwater Area of Concern, concerning voluntary agreements 11 among ground water users from the same ground water reservoir, as described in ORS 12 537.745;

"(b) Assess the opportunities and limitations of using the voluntary agreements in the
Greater Harney Valley Groundwater Area of Concern; and

"(c) Assist ground water users in the Greater Harney Valley Groundwater Area of Con cern with developing the voluntary agreements.".

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