House Bill 3245

Sponsored by Representative HOLVEY (at the request of Oregon Organic Coalition)

SUMMARY

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Prohibits person from growing canola within Willamette Valley Protected District. Provides that violation may be subject to civil penalty of up to \$25,000. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to canola production; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

4 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

5 (a) "Canola" means plants of the genus Brassica:

6 (A) In which seeds having a high oil content are the primary economically valuable 7 product; and

8 (B) That have a high erucic acid content suitable for industrial uses or a low erucic acid 9 content suitable for edible oils.

10 (b) "Willamette Valley Protected District" means the area encompassed within a rec-11 tangle formed by the point in Tillamook County that is the northwest corner of township 1 12 north, range 6 west, the point in Multnomah County that is the most northeastern point of 13 township 1 north, range 2 east within Oregon, the point in Lane County that is the southeast 14 corner of township 19 south, range 2 east and the point in Lane County that is the southwest 15 corner of township 19 south, range 6 west. 16 (a) A

16 (2) A person may not grow canola within the Willamette Valley Protected District.

(3) The State Department of Agriculture may assess a civil penalty, not to exceed \$25,000,
against a person that violates subsection (2) of this section.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect
July 1, 2023.

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