

SB 5539-1
(LC 9539)
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Requested by JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 5539**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 26 and delete page
2 2 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. There are appropriated to the Oregon Watershed En-
4 hancement Board, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the
5 General Fund, the amount of \$1,000,000 for operations.**

6 **“SECTION 1a. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
7 ation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Watershed Enhancement
8 Board, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General
9 Fund, the amount of \$15,466,689, for the distribution of grants specified
10 in section 69, chapter 669, Oregon Laws 2021.**

11 **“SECTION 1b. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
12 ation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Watershed Enhancement
13 Board, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General
14 Fund, the amount of \$4,240,706, for the distribution of grants described
15 in section 303, chapter 110, Oregon Laws 2022, for natural resource re-
16 covery actions in areas affected by 2021 fires.**

17 **“SECTION 1c. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
18 ation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Watershed Enhancement
19 Board, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General
20 Fund, the amount of \$3,452,949, for the distribution of grants described
21 in sections 19 to 23, chapter 4, Oregon Laws 2021 (second special ses-**

1 sion).

2 **“SECTION 2. Of the moneys deposited into the Watershed Conser-**
3 **vation Operating Fund established under ORS 541.945, the Oregon**
4 **Watershed Enhancement Board shall allocate \$9,000,385 to the De-**
5 **partment of State Police for fish and wildlife activities to implement**
6 **Article XV, section 4b, of the Oregon Constitution.**

7 **“SECTION 3. Of the moneys deposited into the Watershed Conser-**
8 **vation Operating Fund established under ORS 541.945, the Oregon**
9 **Watershed Enhancement Board shall allocate \$6,818,367 to the State**
10 **Department of Fish and Wildlife for activities and projects to imple-**
11 **ment Article XV, section 4b, of the Oregon Constitution.**

12 **“SECTION 4. Of the moneys deposited into the Watershed Conser-**
13 **vation Operating Fund established under ORS 541.945, the Oregon**
14 **Watershed Enhancement Board shall allocate \$8,859,764 to the State**
15 **Department of Agriculture for activities and projects to implement**
16 **Article XV, section 4b, of the Oregon Constitution.**

17 **“SECTION 5. Of the moneys deposited into the Watershed Conser-**
18 **vation Operating Fund established under ORS 541.945, the Oregon**
19 **Watershed Enhancement Board shall allocate \$4,908,369 to the De-**
20 **partment of Environmental Quality for activities and projects to im-**
21 **plement Article XV, section 4b, of the Oregon Constitution.**

22 **“SECTION 6. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures,**
23 **the amount of \$9,228,766 is established for the biennium beginning July**
24 **1, 2023, as the maximum limit for payment of expenses by the Oregon**
25 **Watershed Enhancement Board from lottery moneys deposited into**
26 **the Watershed Conservation Operating Fund established under ORS**
27 **541.945, for operating expenses, activities and projects to implement**
28 **Article XV, section 4b, of the Oregon Constitution.**

29 **“SECTION 7. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures,**
30 **the following amounts are established for the biennium beginning July**

1 1, 2023, as the maximum limits for payment of expenses from fees,
2 moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but ex-
3 cluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the
4 Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, for the following purposes:

- 5 (1) Operations..... \$ 970,210
- 6 (2) Grants..... \$ 23,190,935

7 **“SECTION 8.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures,
8 the following amounts are established for the biennium beginning July
9 1, 2023, as the maximum limits for payment of expenses from federal
10 funds collected or received by the Oregon Watershed Enhancement
11 Board, for the following purposes:

- 12 (1) Operations..... \$ 4,377,048
- 13 (2) Grants..... \$ 52,659,999

14 **“SECTION 9.** (1) The Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board shall
15 establish by rule a process for allocating on a quarterly basis available
16 moneys in the Natural Resources Subaccount of the Parks and Natural
17 Resources Fund, established under ORS 541.942, to fulfill the biennial
18 allocations made in this 2023 Act. Except as provided in subsection (2)
19 of this section, all quarterly allocations shall be set at one-eighth of
20 the biennial allocations.

21 **“(2)** If, in any quarter, the moneys transferred from the Oregon
22 State Lottery Fund to the Parks and Natural Resources Fund are in-
23 sufficient to pay for the quarterly allocations established under sub-
24 section (1) of this section, the allocations shall be reduced
25 proportionately by amounts sufficient to accommodate the revenue
26 shortfall.

27 **“SECTION 10.** This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate
28 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
29 declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect July 1, 2023.”.