

SB 733 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Boice

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

Action Date: 05/05/25

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 7-0-2-0

Yeas: 7 - Boice, Helm, Levy B, Marsh, McDonald, McLain, Owens

Exc: 2 - Hartman, Scharf

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 4/21, 5/5

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure revises the definition of the term “potentially dangerous dog” to include a dog that injures or kills livestock, defined as ratites, horses, mules, hinnies, donkeys, cattle, llamas, alpacas, sheep, goats, swine, domesticated fowl, and any fur-bearing animal bred and maintained commercially or otherwise within pens, cages, or hutches. The measure further updates related definitions in statutes to include jennies and hinnies.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Reasons for the definition to exclude female donkeys
- Provisions of measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

The amendment includes jennies and hinnies in the definition of "livestock" in the proposed measure and other statutes related to dogs harming livestock.

BACKGROUND:

Current statute defines “potentially dangerous dog” as a dog that, without provocation, inflicts injury on a person that is less severe than a serious physical injury, or injures or kills another domestic animal while off its owner’s property (Oregon Revised Statutes 609.035). Injury to or killing of livestock is not currently included in this definition.