

House Bill 3587

Sponsored by Representative GOMBERG; Representatives ANDERSEN, HELM, Senators FREDERICK, PHAM K, SOLLMAN, WEBER

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: This Act tells DLCDC and Oregon Ocean Science Trust to take actions to help rocky habitats. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).

Directs the Department of Land Conservation and Development to take certain actions related to rocky habitat management.

Authorizes the Oregon Ocean Science Trust to provide competitive grants for nonregulatory rocky habitat management programs. Appropriates moneys to the trust for the purpose of providing the grants.

Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to rocky habitat management; creating new provisions; amending ORS 196.566; and declar-
3 ing an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 196.405 to**
6 **196.515.**

7 **SECTION 2. The Department of Land Conservation and Development shall:**

8 (1) **In coordination with community-based partners, develop site management plans for**
9 **each site designated pursuant to the portion of the Territorial Sea Plan related to rocky**
10 **habitat management.**

11 (2) **In coordination with other relevant state agencies, assist community-based partners**
12 **in the implementation of the plans developed under subsection (1) of this section.**

13 (3) **Maintain and update, on a website operated by the department, information regarding**
14 **Oregon's ocean resources, including a mapping tool for rocky habitats.**

15 (4) **Consult with relevant state agencies, stewardship groups and other stakeholders as**
16 **necessary to implement the portion of the Territorial Sea Plan related to rocky habitat**
17 **management.**

18 (5) **Develop amendments to the portion of the Territorial Sea Plan related to rocky**
19 **habitat management, as needed.**

20 (6) **Coordinate public processes for new sites designated pursuant to the portion of the**
21 **Territorial Sea Plan related to rocky habitat management.**

22 **SECTION 3. ORS 196.566 is amended to read:**

23 196.566. The Oregon Ocean Science Trust shall:

24 (1) Promote peer-reviewed, competitive research and monitoring that leads to increased knowl-
25 edge and understanding of Oregon's ocean and coastal resources;

26 (2) Promote innovative, collaborative, community-oriented, multi-institutional approaches to re-
27 search and monitoring related to Oregon's ocean and coastal resources;

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (3) Enhance this state’s capacity for peer-reviewed scientific ocean and coastal research; *[and]*

2 (4) Subject to available funding, establish and execute a competitive grant program to conduct
3 research and monitoring related to Oregon’s ocean and coastal resources[.]; **and**

4 **(5) Subject to available funding, establish and execute a competitive grant program to**
5 **implement nonregulatory management programs for sites designated pursuant to the portion**
6 **of the Territorial Sea Plan, as defined in ORS 196.405, related to rocky habitat management.**

7 **SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
8 **ated to the Oregon Ocean Science Trust, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the**
9 **General Fund, the amount of \$300,000, for deposit in the Oregon Ocean Science Fund, to be**
10 **used to provide competitive grants to implement nonregulatory management programs for**
11 **sites designated pursuant to the portion of the Territorial Sea Plan related to rocky habitat**
12 **management, and for administrative costs incurred in providing the grants.**

13 **SECTION 5. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
14 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect**
15 **July 1, 2025.**

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