Senate Bill 375

Sponsored by Senator SMITH DB (Presession filed.)

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: The Act tells an agency to take actions under a certain agreement. The Act tells the agency not to take certain actions under the agreement. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).

Establishes certain additional requirements concerning projects under the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement; amending ORS 526.275.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 526.275 is amended to read:
- 5 526.275. (1) As used in this section:

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- (a) "Additive" means an increase in the pace, scale and quality of forest, rangeland and water restoration services on federal lands within Oregon, including but not limited to services to produce timber harvest volumes that exceed outputs that would be produced by federal land management agencies alone.
- (b) "Federal land management agencies" means the United States Forest Service and the Bureauof Land Management.
 - (c) "Forest, rangeland and water restoration services" means activities that:
 - (A) Treat insect-infested or disease-infected trees;
- 14 (B) Reduce hazardous fuels; or
 - (C) Restore or improve forest, rangeland or watershed health, including but not limited to fish or wildlife habitat health.
 - (d) "Good Neighbor Authority Agreement" means the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement that the Governor, the State Forester and the State Fish and Wildlife Director entered into with the United States Forest Service on March 29, 2016.
 - (2) It is the policy of the state to pursue projects under the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement that increase timber harvest volume, **promote timber production**, contribute to job creation, reduce wildfire risks to all lands, **promote resilient landscapes**, **create and** improve wildlife habitat [and], **improve** watershed health, **promote clean air and water**, **support recreation** and stimulate local economies.
 - (3) [To the extent allowed by the agreement,] State agencies that are signatories to the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement:
- 27 (a) Shall work with federal land management agencies, to the extent allowed by the Good 28 Neighbor Authority Agreement, to give priority to projects that:
 - [(a)] (A) Consist of additive activities;
 - [(b)] (B) Maximize economic benefit to this state; and

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 [(c)] (C) Recover the state agency costs of implementing the projects.
 - (b) May not participate in or agree to projects under the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement that occur on Oregon and California Railroad Revested Lands.

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