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Requested by Senator SMITH DB

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 504**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 29 and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. (1) On or before January 1, 2028, the Land Conserva-**
3 **tion and Development Commission shall adopt rules that incorporate**
4 **guidance for nonstructural, nature-based solutions for shoreline sta-**
5 **bilization in estuaries, coastal shorelands and the ocean shore by, at**
6 **a minimum:**

7 **“(a) Adopting a definition of ‘nonstructural, nature-based**
8 **solutions.’ The definition:**

9 **“(A) Must include natural materials that are dynamic and absorb**
10 **wave energy and are meant to mimic natural systems, including but**
11 **not limited to native organisms, such as shellfish, trees and plants,**
12 **and locally sourced logs, rocks, sand, clay and woody debris.**

13 **“(B) May not include structural methods of shoreline stabilization**
14 **that are static and reflect wave energy.**

15 **“(C) Must include criteria for habitat for wildlife, improving water**
16 **quality, cultural and recreational resources and, where appropriate,**
17 **public access.**

18 **“(D) Must be separate and distinct from existing rules and defi-**
19 **nitions for shoreline stabilization in estuaries, coastal shorelands and**
20 **the ocean shore that include jetties, bulkheads, seawalls, riprap,**
21 **beachfront protective structures and other similar protective struc-**

1 tures.

2 “(b) Providing guidance for the use of nonstructural, nature-based
3 solutions to minimize harmful impacts from flooding, and erosion,
4 including through provisions for monitoring, maintenance and recon-
5 struction.

6 “(c) Requiring that nonstructural, nature-based solutions conform
7 with statewide land use planning goals and that nonstructural,
8 nature-based solutions and ecologically focused land use management
9 practices are prioritized over structural solutions in addressing prob-
10 lems of erosion and flooding.

11 “(2) In adopting rules under this section, the commission:

12 “(a) Shall confer with the Department of State Lands, the Depart-
13 ment of Transportation and the State Parks and Recreation Depart-
14 ment;

15 “(b) Shall appoint an advisory committee under ORS 183.333 that
16 must include members who are coastal engineering professionals, res-
17 toration professionals, representatives of environmental and recre-
18 ational organizations, tribal representatives, land owners or managers,
19 fish and wildlife professionals and local government officials; and

20 “(c) May not substantively amend any process established by rule
21 that allows the Department of Transportation to perform actions or
22 undertake projects that use shoreline stabilization that includes
23 structural methods, elements or solutions.”.

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