76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2012 Regular Session

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Environment & Natural Resources

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure

Vote: 4 - 0 - 1

Yeas: Hass, Olsen, Thomsen, Dingfelder

Nays: 0

Exc.: Prozanski

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Meeting Dates: 2/21

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes Department of Transportation (ODOT) and Douglas Forest Protective Association, Coos Forest Protective Association, Walker Range Forest Protective Association or successor to enter into contracts to provide seasonal fire prevention and suppression personnel to perform off-season services. Stipulates services provided under contract must be off-season services that State Department of Forestry (ODF) personnel were authorized to perform under contract agreements between ODOT and ODF on or before January 1, 2012. Requires ODOT to submit summary of any contract to Department of Administrative Services. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

MEASURE: HB 4072A

CARRIER: Sen. Olsen

Sen. Prozanski

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Allows ODF fire workers to contract with ODOT to perform off-season services
- Will allow continuation of existing arrangement
- Applies only to ODF and ODOT

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Current law allows the State Forester and a forest protective association to enter into a contract or agreement with a state agency for the prevention and suppression of fire on forestland or on land other than forests to prevent and suppress fires.

House Bill 4072A would authorize ODOT and the Douglas Forest Protective Association, Coos Forest Protective Association, or the Walker Range Forest Protective Association to enter into contracts to provide seasonal fire prevention and suppression personnel to perform off-season services.