Senate Bill 318

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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**.

Requires State Department of Fish and Wildlife to adopt policy for coordinating management of species that prey on endangered species. Requires State Fish and Wildlife Commission to adopt policy by rule.

Establishes Predation of Endangered Species Fund. Continuously appropriates moneys in fund to department to carry out predation of endangered species policy.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to predation of endangered species.

3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife, after consultation with and

5 in cooperation with the State Department of Agriculture and other appropriate federal, state

6 and local governmental agencies, federally recognized Indian tribes and public and private

7 organizations, shall develop a statewide policy for predation of endangered species manage-

8 ment. The policy shall:

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9 (a) Provide for coordination of federal, state, local and tribal agency responsibilities and 10 authorities for managing populations of animal species that prey on animal species that are 11 listed as sensitive, threatened or endangered under state or federal law;

12 (b) Incorporate sound science; and

(c) Be based upon adaptive management, incorporating monitoring and evaluation and
clearly defined objectives and outcomes.

(2) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife shall actively solicit public review and
comment in the development of the policy.

(3) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife shall provide the proposed policy developed under subsection (1) of this section to the State Fish and Wildlife Commission. After reviewing the proposed policy developed by the department, the commission shall adopt the policy by rule.

21 <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) The Predation of Endangered Species Fund is established in the State 22 Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Predation of 23 Endangered Species Fund shall be credited to the fund.

(2) Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the State Department of Fish
and Wildlife to carry out the policy adopted under section 1 of this 2015 Act.

(3) The department, on behalf of the State of Oregon, may solicit and accept gifts, grants
or donations from public and private sources for the management of populations of animal
species that prey on animal species that are listed as sensitive, threatened or endangered
under state or federal law. Moneys received under this subsection shall be deposited into the

1 Predation of Endangered Species Fund.

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