

HB 2068 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Natural Resources

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Increases percentage of nonresident tags issued for hunting of black bear, cougar, and antelope from three to five percent of total tags issued by drawing.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) caps nonresident tags for bear, cougar, and antelope at 3 percent, and both elk and deer at 5 percent issued by drawing. According to ODFW, in 2018 two percent of spring bear and antelope hunt tags were drawn at random by nonresidents in 2018.

House Bill 2068 would increase the percentage of nonresident tags issued for hunting of black bear, cougar, and antelope from three to five percent of total tags issued by drawing.