

SB 448 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 2/21, 4/2

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Office of Outdoor Recreation to study and make recommendations on the development of Oregon Outdoors Pass. Requires office to submit report to Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2019. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2017, the legislature created the Office of Outdoor Recreation in the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) through the enactment of House Bill 3350. The Office was charged with coordinating outdoor recreation policy, assisting in developing or updating the outdoor recreation management strategies of OPRD, collaborating with the Oregon Tourism Commission and Travel Information Council to create effective forums for communicating recreation-based initiatives and for sharing best practices, and serving as a clearinghouse and information center for outdoor recreation stakeholders.

Senate Bill 448 would direct the Office of Outdoor Recreation to study and make recommendations on the development of the Oregon Outdoor Pass.