

HB 2974 -1, -2 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Rules

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Meeting Dates: 4/1

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Authorizes formation of bridge district, consisting of Linn, Marion, Polk and Yamhill counties, to plan, finance, construct, operate and maintain bridge over Willamette River. Creates district board of one elected member from each county within district and one member recommended by Department of Transportation and appointed by Governor. Requires petition forming district to include permanent rate limit for operating taxes and, after formation, directs board to annually certify amount or rate of ad valorem property taxes to be assessed. Includes bridge district in specified statutes addressing special districts.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

- 1 Adds Benton county to district. Eliminates appointed member of district and creates staggered terms of office. Repeals statutes authorizing district on January 1, 2024, unless petition forming district is filed before date.
- 2 Removes Linn county from district and replaces with Benton county. Eliminates appointed member of district and replaces with at-large seat. Creates staggered terms of office. Repeals statutes authorizing district on January 1, 2024, unless petition forming district is filed before date.

BACKGROUND: