

Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
SENATE BILL 301**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 31 and delete page  
2 2 and insert:

3 **SECTION 1.** Section 3, chapter 363, Oregon Laws 2013, is amended to  
4 read:

5 **“Sec. 3.** Notwithstanding any other provision of the wildlife laws, the  
6 State Department of Fish and Wildlife shall create and implement an Oregon  
7 Landowner Damage Program that:

8 “(1) Addresses damage caused by elk on privately owned lands in Oregon.

9 “(2) Provides landowner damage tags only for areas where elk are cur-  
10 rently causing damage, where there has been a history of elk damage coupled  
11 with actions to alleviate elk damage or where the department has designated  
12 the area as an elk deemphasis area.

13 **“(3) Considers elk overpopulation.**

14 “[3] (4) Limits the use of **landowner** damage tags to taking antlerless  
15 elk.

16 “[4] (5) Limits the use of **landowner** damage tags to taking elk on  
17 property owned, leased or rented by the landowner complaining of elk dam-  
18 age or on property owned, leased or rented by a business entity that includes  
19 the landowner as a principal partner or shareholder.

20 “[5] (6) Allows exchange of unused general season elk tags or controlled  
21 hunt elk tags for landowner damage tags.

1 “[(6)] (7) Does not impose a limit on the number of [*total*] **landowner**  
2 damage tags available for each landowner, except that no more than five  
3 **landowner** damage tags may be valid at any one time.

4 “[(7)] (8) Does not impose a minimum acreage requirement for  
5 [*landowner*] participation.

6 “[(8)] (9) Allows landowners to register for participation in the program  
7 at any time prior to the issuance of **landowner** damage tags.

8 “[(9)] (10) Establishes a \$30 fee for landowners to register for partic-  
9 ipation in the program.

10 “[(10)] (11) Establishes a \$15 fee for landowners to modify the landowner’s  
11 **landowner** damage tag distribution.

12 “[(11)] (12) Authorizes department biologists to sell and exchange **land-**  
13 **owner** damage tags.

14 “[(12)] (13) Authorizes department biologists to establish the period of  
15 validity for **landowner** damage tags through negotiation with landowners.

16 “[(13)] (14) Requires landowners to record the number of elk taken and,  
17 within 10 days after the end of a designated hunt period, to report to the  
18 local department biologist the number of elk taken.

19 “**SECTION 2. Section 5, chapter 363, Oregon Laws 2013, is**  
20 **repealed.**”

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