

Requested by Senator BAERTSCHIGER JR

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 1516**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, delete “declaring an emergency” and
2 insert “prescribing an effective date”.

3 On page 2, delete lines 16 through 30 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 2. (1) Under the modernization program described in**
5 **section 1 of this 2020 Act, the State Forester may assess a surcharge**
6 **of \$10.80 on each improved lot or parcel described in ORS 477.277 (1).**
7 **The surcharge may be assessed in addition to any surcharge assessed**
8 **under ORS 477.277 (1).**

9 **“(2) Surcharge moneys collected pursuant to subsection (1) of this**
10 **section:**

11 **“(a) Must be paid into the Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund; and**

12 **“(b) May be expended under the modernization program described**
13 **in section 1 of this 2020 Act for two administrative positions and up**
14 **to 35 permanent full-time positions that have duties including, but not**
15 **limited to, fighting or preventing wildfires.**

16 **“SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-**
17 **ation, there is appropriated to the State Forestry Department, for the**
18 **biennium ending June 30, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount**
19 **of \$6,000,000. Of that amount, under the modernization program de-**
20 **scribed in section 1 of this 2020 Act, at least \$1,000,000 must be ex-**
21 **pended for firefighting severity resources, and the remainder must be**

1 expended for two administrative positions and up to 35 permanent
2 full-time positions that have duties including, but not limited to,
3 fighting or preventing wildfires.

4 “SECTION 4. This 2020 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the
5 date on which the 2020 regular session of the Eightieth Legislative
6 Assembly adjourns sine die.”.

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