

## **HB 3126 -2 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

### **House Special Committee On Wildfire Recovery**

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**Meeting Dates:** 5/21, 5/28

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs the Legislative Policy and Research Office to study strategies to promote recovery from the 2020 wildfire season and to report to appropriate legislative committees by September 15, 2022. Sunsets January 2, 2023.

*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:**

-2 Allows a landowner to petition the county board to annex their land to a special district if the land is surrounded by the district and the water supply has become inadequate or contaminated, as determined by the local health department, as a result of conditions caused by a wildfire that is the subject of a state of emergency declared by the Governor. Requires the petition to include statutorily required information and signatures, in addition to stating the conditions that caused the water supply to become inadequate or contaminated. Requires a county board to immediately approve a landowner petition if the board determines that the conditions for the petition are met and the district has a sufficient water supply. Providing the petition is approved, requires the county board to enter an order describing the boundaries of the land and declaring the land annexed into the district, and requires the district to provide water to the annexed land. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

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##### **BACKGROUND:**

House Bill 3126 would direct the Legislative Policy and Research Office to study strategies to promote recovery from the 2020 wildfire season and to report to appropriate legislative committees by September 15, 2022.